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Date 5/29/90

Title and Character of Case

DARRY CHERNEY - VICTIM;
JUDITH BARI - VICTIM;
CAR BOMBING;
EID;
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Date Property Acquired

5/24/90

Source From Which Property Acquired

DARRYL CHERNEY

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

BULKY Pressboard
See 1A

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

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☒ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government.

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE VHS VIDEO CASSETTE TAPE ENTITLED,
"CAHTO OCT. 88 EDITED," ALSO LABELED, RETURN TO
EARTH FIRST Box 34, GARBERVILLE, CA 95440, FROM
CAMOUFLAGE BACK PACK BELONGING TO DARRYL
CHERNEY.

Evidence given to Oakland P.D.

5/29/90.

See 1A () for evid. pkg. copy of FD-192
for 1B1.

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Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
Special Agents
Verifying and Sealing
Bag Contents _____

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Date 5-29-90

Title and Character of Case

DARRYL R. CHERNEY - VICTIM;
JUDITH BARI - VICTIM;
CAR BOMBING, ETC;

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Date Property Acquired

5-24-90

HYLAND HOSPITAL

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

BULKY PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned See Serial

☐ Yes ☒ No

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

2 inch cylinder container with blood soaked
gauze swabs & foreign matter from treating
DARRYL Reed Cherney

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Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
Special Agents
Verifying and Sealing
Bag Contents _____

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID: OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE
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☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: BOX #1

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Evidence Bag Seal # _____	Signature of Two Special Agents Verifying and Sealing Bag Contents _____

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 1, consisting of 13 bags of items located in and around the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, an inventory of the items in Box number 1 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Paper bag #1 containing items located under the backseat metal plate of victim car:

- A. Miscellaneous wire and metal part.
- B. Piece of threaded pipe.
- C. Piece of sponge and piece of wire.
- D. Piece of metal.
- E. Two nails and miscellaneous debris.
- F. Miscellaneous debris.

2. Paper bag #2 containing items located in the rear luggage area of victim car:

- A. Carpet and debris.
- B. Red and green wire insulation.
- C. Three miscellaneous metal pieces.
- D. One nail and one nut.
- E. Miscellaneous debris.
- F. Miscellaneous debris.

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3. Paper bag #3 containing sweepings from under area of victim car:

- A. Seven nails.
- B. Miscellaneous wire.
- C. Miscellaneous paper.
- D. Miscellaneous debris.
- E. Miscellaneous debris.
- F. Pipe frag.
- G. Pieces of blue porcelain.

4. Paper bag #4 containing miscellaneous items from sidewalk area on left side of victim car.

5. Paper bag #5 containing known samples of victim car.

6. Paper bag containing miscellaneous items from the glove box of victim car:

- A. \$20.56 (being held in SAC's safe).

7. Paper bag #7 containing items located stuck in the dash of victim car.

8. Paper bag #8 containing items from the rear luggage area of victim car:

- A. Wire, tape and debris.
- B. One nail.
- C. One cardboard backing for 9 volt battery.
- D. Two nails, wire screen and paper.
- E. Miscellaneous debris.

9. Paper bag #9 containing the passenger side seat cover from car number 1.

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- A. Clock parts.
- B. One nail and debris.
- C. Foam with burn marks.
- D. Part of light bulb.
- E. Copper colored metal fragment.
- F. Miscellaneous debris.

10. Paper bag #10 containing a portion of the carpet of victim car located beneath and to the rear of the drivers side seat.

- A. Miscellaneous pieces of foil and tape.
 - B. Miscellaneous pieces of metal.
 - C. Three miscellaneous pieces.
 - D. One metal piece.
 - E. One section of twisted wire.
 - F. Miscellaneous pieces of wire.
 - G. Miscellaneous pieces of tape.
 - H. Piece of blue mat.
 - I. Pieces of blue porcelain.
 - J. Miscellaneous debris.
 - K. Miscellaneous paper.
 - L. Soda cup debris.
 - M. Miscellaneous parts of car and pieces of wood.
- 10a. A brown paper bag containing debris located under the rug described in item 10:
- N. Miscellaneous debris.

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O. Ball bearing.

P. Miscellaneous pieces of metal.

11. Paper bag #11 with items located under the backseat cushion, on top of the metal frame which includes one pair of Coleman shoes, women's size 7, one copy of the Press Democrat newspaper, dated Wednesday, May 23, 1990, and the following:

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- A. Pieces of blue mat.
 - B. Pieces of paper cup.
 - C. Pieces of blue porcelain.
 - D. Miscellaneous debris.
 - E. One nail.
 - F. One purple item.
 - G. One metal casing.
 - H. Miscellaneous pieces of wire.
 - I. One battery post.
 - J. One piece of threaded pipe.
 - K. Miscellaneous pieces of metal.
 - L. Two miscellaneous pieces of metal with fabric debris.
 - M. Two clock parts.
 - N. Miscellaneous items.
 - O. Miscellaneous debris.
 - P. Miscellaneous car parts.
 - Q. Miscellaneous debris.
 - R. Miscellaneous wood pieces.

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S. Miscellaneous pieces of paper.

T. One cassette tape titled "Guitar lessons".

12. Paper bag #12 containing items located on the floor of the front seat passenger side of victim car:

A. Miscellaneous parts.

B. Miscellaneous debris.

C. One wrench.

D. One piece of notebook paper.

E. DMV and insurance records for 1981 Subaru in the name JUDY BARI.

F. Miscellaneous debris.

G. Miscellaneous car parts.

13. Paper bag #13 containing items located on the floor area under the floor mat on the drivers side of victim car:

A. Twelve nails.

B. Miscellaneous pieces of debris.

C. Miscellaneous debris.

Date **5/31/90**

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID; OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE
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☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: BOX #2

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Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
Special Agents
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Bag Contents _____

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 2 consisting of 4 bags of items located in and around the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on May 27, 1990, an inventory of the items in Box number 2 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Paper bag #1:
- A. Blue carpet from the front passenger side of victim vehicle.
 - B. Miscellaneous debris.
 - C. Metal and plastic pieces.
 - D. Miscellaneous pieces of car parts.
 - E. One nail and debris.
 - F. Miscellaneous piece of metal.
2. Paper bag #2: Miscellaneous debris located under victim vehicle.
3. Paper bag #3: Blue carpet and miscellaneous items located under and to the rear of the passenger seat in victim vehicle.
- A. Miscellaneous debris.
 - B. Parts of soft drink cups.
 - C. Miscellaneous papers.
 - D. Pieces of paper from car number 1.
 - E. Miscellaneous debris.

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- F. Business card, receipt and tab.
- G. Blue mat debris.
- H. Battery post and wires.
- I. Pipe frag, nail and metal stud.
- J. Allen wrench and miscellaneous metal pieces.
- K. Blue porcelain pieces.
- L. Miscellaneous debris.
- M. Two pieces of fiber board.
- 4. Paper bag 4:
 - A. Blue carpet from the front drivers side area of victim vehicle.
 - B. Miscellaneous debris.
 - C. Pieces of car.
 - D. Miscellaneous pieces of metal.
 - E. Left Birkenstock shoe.
 - F. Miscellaneous pieces of fabric.
 - G. Pipe frag and cloth.
 - H. Miscellaneous items.
 - I. Clock back.
 - J. Pipe frag and nail.

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On May 24, 1990, at the Transportation Section of the Oakland Police Department, 6th and Washington Streets, Oakland, California the 1981 white Subaru GL with California license 2NWX290 was vacuumed for debris and the vacuum bag containing this debris was placed in a paper bag and numbered 4 miscellaneous - vacuum debris from victim car and entered into the Oakland Police Department Property Room.

On May 25, 1990, the above described bag containing the vacuumed debris was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property room and transported to the San Francisco Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID; OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired

5-25-90

Source From Which Property Acquired

OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

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Agent Assigned Case

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: BOX #6

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
Special Agents
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Bag Contents

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On the afternoon of Thursday, May 24, 1990, a search was conducted by the below listed individuals and [redacted] Crime Scene Technician, Oakland Police Department, of a white Subaru GL with California license number 2NWX290, located at the intersection of Park Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard, Oakland, California. Numerous items were seized from both within the vehicle and on the sidewalk on the drivers side of the vehicle. The items described below were placed in box 6 and transported in the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Bombing Crime Scene Van to the Oakland Police Department Transportation Section where the bags were inventoried prior to submission to the Oakland Police Department Property Room.

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Located in Box #6 are the following:

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1. One address card file.
 2. One ID folder with California license number C0263707, Social Security number 218-56-2643, in the name of JUDITH BEATRICE BARI.
 3. One cloth purse, with checkbook, Savings Bank of Mendocino County, name of JUDITH BARI, 9491 Humphrey Lane, Redwood Valley, California 95470, Medi-Cal card in the name of JUDITH BARI, receipt from Harris Pharmacy, one Cole key, one white envelope with receipt, dated May 20, 1990.
 4. One manila envelope addressed to Ms. JUDITH BARI, c/o Mendocino Environmental Center, 106 W. Standley, Ukiah, California 95482, from the San Jose Mercury News, containing two copies of the San Jose Mercury Newspaper, dated May 20, 1990.
 5. One pen - tab steno notebook.
 6. One manila folder, captioned "Mississippi Summer".
 7. One clip board with letters from and to "AL WYLAND".

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8. One computer list of names.

9. One copy of complaint [] vs. []
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b7C10. One folder containing press coverage Jan - Apr,
1990.

11. One folder containing press coverage 1990.

12. One folder containing "POR/ERN Strategy".

13. One folder containing "Threats & Fakes".

14. One folder containing "Tree Spiking".

15. One folder containing "Work in Progress".

16. One folder containing "Packet Master Copies".

17. Miscellaneous debris from cardboard box.

18. Miscellaneous papers and books.

19. Envelope #1 light bulb socket with wire.

20. Envelope #3 unknown metal object.

21. Envelope #2 two unknown metal objects.

22. One jeans jacket.

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box 6, containing the above items was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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Date of transcription 6/22/90

An inventory was conducted on the sixth floor of the San Francisco Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office of the contents of Box #6.

The contents of the inventory are as follows:

1. Miscellaneous papers from manila folder captioned "Mississippi Summer":

- a. Direct Action In The Woods by [redacted]
- b. Mississippi Summer In The Redwoods by [redacted]

2. Miscellaneous papers from folder containing "Threats and Flakes":

- a. Photocopy of handprinted note from "STOMPERS".
- b. Two page typed memo to JUDI [redacted]
- c. Letter from [redacted] Redwood Coast, Watershed Alliance.
- d. Letter to JUDI BARI from Committee For The Death of Earth First!
- e. Letter from Tasmanian Teens.

3. Miscellaneous papers from folder containing "Tree Spiking":

- a. Two page letter to DARRYL CHERNEY, JUDI BARI, etc. from [redacted]
- b. Letter to JUDI from [redacted]
- c. Typing of "Northern California Earth First! Renounces Tree Spiking".

4. Miscellaneous papers from item marked (18) "Miscellaneous papers and books."

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- b. Photocopy of letter addressed to "Harwood Employee".

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Date 5/31/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired

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Source From Which Property Acquired

OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

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On May 24, 1990, a search was conducted of the surface of the public street identified as the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The items located in quadrant B, lane 3 were marked noting the approximate location from the blast site and placed in box 9 for identification.

Quadrant B, lane 3 was searched by Sergeant [redacted] Oakland Police Department, Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. A total of 80 items were recovered.

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Attached to and made a part of this document, for purposes of identification, is a copy of the Oakland Police Department Property Record, dated May 24, 1990, R. D. Number 90, consisting of eight pages and identifying the 80 recovered items.

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by SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted] /dld Date dictated 5/25/90

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Case 12303.2 P.C.	Classification POSSESSION OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE	Arrest Number AO -
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1400-1816	Address from Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD	
Officer SGT	Complainant BARI, Judith	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Seizure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officer Recovering Property from Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>
Property RECEIVED	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	

PROPERTY acquired, describe description of same, including color, size, serial number, etc.

Item 1 PIECE OF METAL, GRAY IN COLOR
QB, LANE 3, 20'

(All Items
from Box #9)

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Item 2 PIECE OF METAL, GRAY IN COLOR
QB, LANE 3, 25'

Item 3 FRAGMENT OF RED WIRE, W/GREEN WIRE, W/BLACK TAPE, W/SOLDER
QB, LANE 3, 35'

Item 4 GRA DUCT TAPE REMNANT
QB, LANE 3, 35'

Item 5 TWO PIECES OF METAL, POSSIBLE BASE 9V BATTERY
QB, LANE 3, 30'

6 WOOD FRAGMENT
QB, LANE 3, 30'

Item 7 6 NAILS W/ FRAGMENTS
QB, LANE 3, 35'

Item 8 MISCELLANEOUS FRAGMENTS
QB, LANE 3, 40'

Item 9 PIECE OF LONG BLUE CLOTH
QB, LANE 3, 40'

Item 10 WOOD FRAGMENT AND MISC FIBER
QB, LANE 3, 40'



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Charge 12303.2 PC	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number HO -
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1400 - 1816	Address from Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD	By By
Complainant BARI, JUDITH		Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property from Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>
Property (FOI) SGT	Signature of Recovering Property SGT	

PROPERTY includes detailed description of same, including color, size, serial number, etc.

Item **(11)** **MISC. BURNT FRAGMENT**
QB, LANE 3, 40'**(All Items from)**
Box #2

BAR CODE

Item **(12)** **MISC. FRAGMENTS**
QB, LANE 3, 40'Item **(13)** **NAIL - RENT**
QB, LANE 3, 45'Item **(14)** **SI - ER FRAGMENT 1 1/2" DIAMETER**
QB, LANE 3, 45'Item **(15)** **GRAY TAPE**
QB, LANE 3, 45'Item **(16)** **BURNT MATERIAL W/ GREEN / YELLOW / WHITE / BLACK WIRE**
QB, LANE 3, 45'Item **(17)** **MISC. BUTTON**
QB, LANE 3, 45'Item **(18)** **NAIL**
QB, LANE 3, 47'Item **(19)** **PIECE OF WOOD**
QB, LANE 3, 48'Item **(20)** **BURNT MATERIAL**
QB, LANE 3, 50'

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#1-10 - MED. BRO. BOX
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Date **25-MAY-90**Time received **0115**

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Case No 12303.2 PC.	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number 90-
Date and Time Property Found 24 May 90 1400-1816	Address from Which Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD	
Complainant BARI, JUDITH	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property from Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>	
Inventory ST	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	

PROPERTY described, detailed description of same including color, size, serial number, etc.

Item	Description	BAR CODE
(21)	NAIL QB, LANE 3, 50'	(All Items from Box #9)
(22)	METAL FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 50'	
(23)	BLACK WIRE QB, LANE 3, 50'	
(24)	BLACK WIRE QB, LANE 3, 52'	
(25)	BLACK FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 51'	
(26)	METAL GRAY FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 53'	
(27)	3 METAL NAILS QB, LANE 3, 55'	
(28)	1 METAL NAIL w/ MISC FRAGMENTS QB, LANE 3, 57'	
(29)	2 METAL NAILS QB, LANE 3, 57'	
(30)	CLOTH FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 58'	



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Date **25-MAY-90**Time received **0115**

Received by

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Charge 12303.2 P.C.	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number	R.O. Number 90-
Date and Time Property Found 24 May 90 1400-1816	Address from Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD		
Complainant BARI, JUDITH	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>	
Receiving Property PAT SGT	Cause Finding or Recovering Property	Officers Receiving Property from Citizen	

PROPERTY DAMAGE: Describe condition of items including color, size, serial number, etc.

- (All Items from Box #9)
- Item 31 **METAL PIECE**
QB, LANE 3, 5B'
 - Item 32 **CLOTH FRAGMENT**
QB, LANE 3, 5B'
 - Item 33 **TWO (2) METAL NAILS**
QB, LANE 3, 60'
 - Item 34 **TWO (2) METAL NAILS**
QB, LANE 3, 60'
 - Item 35 **GRAY TAPE**
QB, LANE 3, 60'
 - Item 36 **SWITCH LEVER**
QB, LANE # 3, 60'
 - Item 37 **MISC. CLOTH**
QB, LANE 3, 62'
 - Item 38 **SMALL SPONGE**
QB, LANE # 3, 65'
 - Item 39 **METAL CAP PART**
QB, LANE 3, 65'
 - Item 40 **BURNT MATCHES**
QB, LANE 3, 65'

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PROPERTY RECORD

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Date 12303.2 P.C.	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number	R. D. Number 90-
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1400-1846	Address From Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD		
Complainant BAKI, JUDITH		Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property from Citizen	
Receiving Agency (FBI) SGT	Person Finding or Recovering Property		

PROPERTY Inventory. Detailed Description of items including color, size, serial number, etc.

Item	Description	BAR CODE
(H1)	MISC MATERIAL (BLUE COLOR) QB, LANE # 3, 65'	(All Items from Box #9)
(H2)	METAL PIECE QB, LANE # 3, 65'	
(H3)	PIECE OF WOOD QB, LANE # 3, 67'	
(H4)	ONE (1) NAIL QB, LANE 3, 67'	
(H5)	CLOTH FRAGMENTS QB, LANE 3, 67'	
(H6)	FIBERBOARD QB, LANE 3, 68'	
(H7)	WOOD FRAGMENTS QB, LANE 3, 70'	
(H8)	RED WIRE QB, LANE # 3, 70'	
(H9)	LATCH QB, LANE # 3, 70'	
(H10)	METAL PIECE QB, LANE 3, 70'	

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PROPERTY removed, detailed description of same, including color, size serial number, etc.

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(All Items
from Box #9)



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Charge 12303.2 P.C.	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number	R.D. Number 190-
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1400-1816	Address From Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD		
Complainant BARI, JUDITH	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Retaining Property from Claim <input type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>	
Receiving Agency FBI 56T	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property		

PROPERTY Inventory described description of same, including color, size serial number, etc.

Item #	Description	BAR CODE
(61)	METAL LATCH QB, LANE 3, 851	(All Items from Box #9)
(62)	METAL FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 901	
(63)	TWO NAILS w/ GRAY TAPE QB, LANE 3, 901	
(64)	3 NAILS QB, LANE 3, 921	
(65)	TWO WOOD PIECES QB, LANE 3, 951	
(66)	SMALL FORM PIECES QB, LANE 3, 951	
(67)	TWO SMALL NAILS QB, LANE 3, 1001	
(68)	Metal Piece QB, LANE 3, 1001	
(69)	CLOTH PIECE, BROWN QB, LANE 3, 1001	
(70)	CLOTH & WOOD FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 100	



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PROPERTY RECORD

Charge 12303.2 P.C.	Classification Possession of Explosive Device	Arrest Number RO-	R.O. Number -
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1400-1816	Address from Where Property Taken 3400 BLK PARK BLVD		
Complainant BARI, JUDITH	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Seizure <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property from Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>		
Inventory Property FBI SGT	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property		

PROPERTY Inventory. Detailed description of same, including color, size, serial number, etc.

Item	Description	BAR CODE
(71)	METAL STRAND QB, LANE 3, 110'	(All Items from Box #9)
(72)	CLOTH FRAGMENTS QB, LANE 3, 110'	
(73)	METAL CAP PART QB, LANE 3, 110'	
(74)	WOOD FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 130'	
(75)	WOOD FRAGMENT QB, LANE 3, 100'	
(76)	FOAM PIECE QB, LANE 3, 130'	
(77)	METAL CAP PART QB, LANE #3, 130'	
(78)	WOOD FRAGMENT QB, LANE #3, 130'-140'	
(79)	METAL PIPE (PIECED IN CAN) QB, LANE #3, 50'	
Item 10	BAG OF MISCELLANEOUS FRAGMENTS QB, LANE 3, THROUGHOUT	HEPN

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Date 25-MAY-90

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Date 5-31-90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU WAGON CA LIC #2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA 5-24-90; BID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD Property Room, Oakland, CA
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE
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To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA []	Agent Assigned Case SA []
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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

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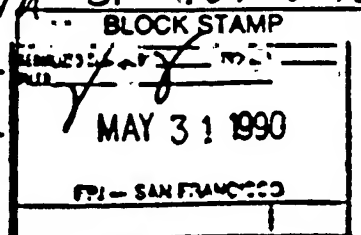
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Signature of Two
Special Agents
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On the afternoon of Thursday, May 24, 1990, a search was conducted by the below listed individuals and [redacted] Crime Scene Technician, Oakland Police Department, of a white Subaru GL with California license number 2NWX290, located at the intersection of Park Boulevard and MacArthur Boulevard, Oakland, California. Numerous items were seized from within the vehicle, to include the driver's seat.

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The driver's seat was unbolted from the frame and placed into two large plastic bags and double sealed with two additional large plastic bags and transported to the Oakland Police Department Property Room.

At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, the driver's seat was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it were secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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Date
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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM,
DARAYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBURU WAGON CA LIC# 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA 5-24-90; EID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD Property Room, OAKLAND, CA
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE
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To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA <input type="text"/>	Agent Assigned Case SA <input type="text"/>
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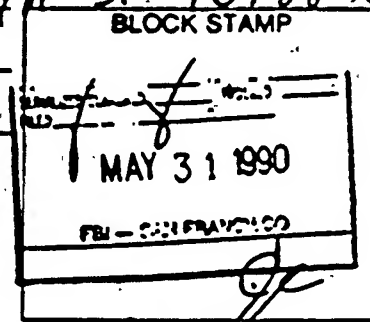
☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit
SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: Guitar & Case.

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only	Signature of Two Special Agents Verifying and Sealing Bag Contents
Evidence Bag Seal # _____	_____

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, a guitar and case were obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where they were secured in the sixth floor conference room.

On May 25, 1990, an inventory of these items was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the items were identified as follows:

3. One damaged blue vinyl guitar case with a broken and damaged Washburn brand guitar.

3a. Sweepings and debris developed from the guitar case along with other miscellaneous debris.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATIONWAGON CA Lic #2nKX290
OAKLAND, CA ~~5-24-90~~ 5-24-90;; EID; 00:SF

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD Property Room, OAKLAND, CA
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE
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To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA 	Agent Assigned Case SA
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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

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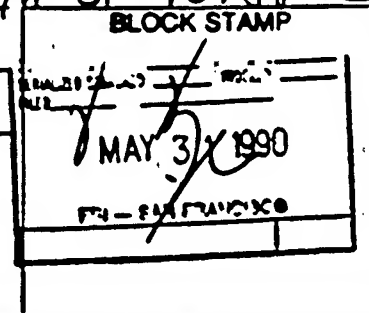
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Bag Contents _____

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, the rear seat cushion and cover from the 1981 white Subaru GL with California license number 2NWX290 was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where they were secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, a review was conducted of the rear seat cushion and cover. The seat cover itself was removed from the foam under portion and was swept and examined.

The following were recovered:

- A. Numerous pieces of burned and damaged newspaper.
- B. A small one inch by two inch piece of black cardboard which appears to be the upper portion of a nine volt battery.

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Lab in
Box # 2

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID; OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90		Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG		Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE	
To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA 	Agent Assigned Case SA
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: BOX #7

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 7, consisting of material located on the sidewalk adjacent to the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, an inventory of the items in Box number 7 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Blue sleeping bag with a brown cover.
2. A blue violin case with zipper, containing a damaged violin instrument and bow.

Also inside the case were the following:

- 2a. Miscellaneous pages of music.
- 2b. Amplifier cord.
- 2c. Miscellaneous violin strings.
- 2d. Tuning fork.
- 2e. Two violin rosin.
- 2f. Miscellaneous violin parts.

3. A 1 gallon plastic home and garden purified water container with a small amount of clear liquid.

4. An empty 1 gallon plastic home and garden distilled water container.

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Date

5/31/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB; aka
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - Victim;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - Victim;
Bombing of 1981 Subaru, Calif
license 2NWX290
Oakland, California

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Date Property Acquired

5/30/90

Source From Which Property Acquired

- reporter for the PRESS DEMOCRAT, UKIAH, C.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

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Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure:

Description of Property or Exhibit

Three page type written letter with envelope postmarked
May 29, 1990 addressed to: [redacted] PRESS DEMOCRAT, 215 W.
STANDLEY ST., UKIAH, CALIF 95482"

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Source From Which Property Acquired

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit
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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

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Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 3, consisting of material located on the sidewalk adjacent to the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, an inventory of the items in Box number 3 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. A Yaeger and Kirk Hardware bag containing an assortment of nails.
2. One yellow U.S. Camper brand rain slicker.
3. One multi-colored cloth back pack containing numerous items of women's clothing including shirts, pants and socks.
- 3a. One package wrapper for metalmaster Snips.
4. Two cassette tapes of "They Sure Don't Make Hippies Like They Used To" songs by DARRYL CHERNEY.
5. One paper package containing approximately two dozen copies of the Industrial Worker newspaper, published by the Industrial Workers of the World.

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DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
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OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
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OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
EVIDENCE

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Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes. ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

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**Signature of Two
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Bag Contents**

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 5, consisting of material located on the sidewalk adjacent to the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, an inventory of the items in Box number 5 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. One gray metal Handi-Craft metal tool box, two drawer. The contents include a box wrench set, a socket set and numerous other small hand tools including screw drivers, pliers and wrenches. All of the material inside the tool box is dust covered.
2. One set of automotive jumper cables, a claw hammer, a lug wrench and a bungee cord.
3. Dated and placed in bag number 1 of box number 5 is a copy of the Anderson Valley Advertiser newspaper, dated May 23, 1990.
4. Dated and placed in bag number 2 of box 5 is a copy of the Ukiah Daily Journal newspaper for May 23, 1990.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
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DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90		Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG		Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE	
To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA []	Agent Assigned Case SA []
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			

Description of Property or Exhibit

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Signature of Two
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Date of transcription 5/25/90

At 11:45 a.m. on May 25, 1990, Box number 4, consisting of material located on the sidewalk adjacent to the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

Subsequently, on the same day, an inventory of the items in Box number 4 was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. An empty two pound tin can covered with a green paper label entitled "Earth First!".

2. A package of D'Addario guitar strings.

3. A one liter McGaw brand plastic bottle containing about 300 millileters of unknown clear liquid.

4. A paper bag from Yaeger and Kirk Lumber and Hardware containing a quantity of roofing nails.

5. One orange hardhat bearing the insignia of Louisiana Pacific Paper Company and the logo "L P Yes we can!"

6. Plastic wallpaper paste brush.

7. One gray lug wrench.

8. One remnant of blue vinyl material, approximately two foot square.

9. One gray canvas tote bag, white in color with a green insignia approximately two foot by two foot containing:

9a. A knit string shopping bag.

9b. One rag.

9c. An empty bag of type used to hold coffee beans with the price \$7.53.

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9d. A wrapper from the Franco American Bakery, Santa Rosa, California.

9e. One plastic bag entitled "Subaru" which contains a lug wrench.

10. A piece of a broken guitar.

11. One can of aerosol puncture seal tire repair material.

12. One quart of Chevron custom motor oil.

13. One empty bag from the Thanksgiving Coffee Company, Noyo Harbor, California with the price \$7.53.

14. One Yaeger and Kirk paperbag which contains an 11 ounce can of Imperial spray paint enamel, color type #13, carnival red.

15. One 12 ounce can of Preston brake fluid.

16. Plastic window scraper.

17. Two packages of Coghlan's stretch bungee cords.

18. Cardboard box of Hamilton's All Purpose Joint System system containing a plastic funnel, numerous Duracel and Ray-O-Vac brand AA batteries, pipe clamps, spark plug wires and other associated automobile products.

18a. Fragment of red wire.

18b. One Philipshead screw with washer.

19. One Realistic Brand Power Horn portable loudhailer.

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Title and Character of Case

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DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU S/W, CA. LIC. 2NWX290
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Date Property Acquired 5-31-90		Source From Which Property Acquired OAKLAND PD PROPERTY ROOM; OAKLAND, CA.	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG		Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: ARTICLES OF CLOTHING AND ITEMS OBTAINED FROM DARRYL CHERNEY AT THE TIME HE WAS BEING TREATED FOR INJURIES FROM CAR BOMBING AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CA. ON 5/24/90.

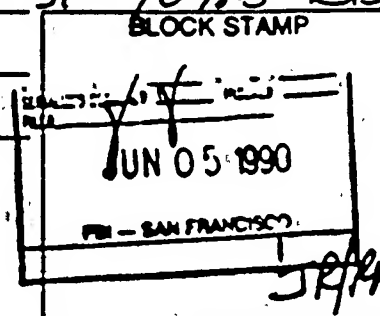
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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, articles of clothing belonging to DARRYL CHERNEY were obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, where they were secured in the 6th floor conference room.

On June 1, 1990, an inventory of these articles of clothing and items obtained from DARRYL CHERNEY at the Highland Hospital, Oakland, on May 24, 1990, by the Oakland Police Department subsequent to treatment of injuries he received as a passenger in the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, when a bomb exploded in this car, was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. An army camouflage men's pants.
2. A wide leather belt.
3. A pair of dark blue socks.
4. A light blue men's Bill Blass briefs.
5. A light blue Haines t-shirt.
6. A Swiss army knife in a belt carrying case obtained from CHERNEY.
7. A one gallon paint can in which the articles of clothing from CHERNEY was stored in at the Oakland Police Department Property Room.
8. One pair of dark blue Etonic men's running shoes.

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PROPERTY RECORD

Date 12303.2 PC	Case No. Hall / Hoad / Hom	C. R. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90	Complainant BARI, JUDITH	<input type="checkbox"/> Search Warrant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Seizure <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property From Citizen
	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	

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Item	Description	BAR CODE
Item 1	CLOTHING FROM BARI, 1-PP SLKS, BLU, 1-PP SOCKS, GRN, 1-PP PAJAMAS, WHI, 1-SHIRT, BLK, 1-TANK TOP, PUR, 1-T SHIRT, GRN "EARTH FEET"	
Item 2	SHEET, WHI FROM GURNEY AT ACH	
Item 3	CLOTHING FROM CHERNIV, 1-PP BLU & TONIC SLKS, 1-PP GRN & WHI PANTS, 1-PP T-SHIRT, 1-PP BLU SOCKS, 1-PPD LATEX GLOVES	
Item 4	KNIFE, SWISS ARMY TYPE, 1-PP BLU LATEX GLOVES, 1-PPD LATEX GLOVES	
Item 5	MONEY, U.S. (\$40) FIFTY AND XX/100 DOLLARS (1x20)	
Item 6		
Item 7		
Item 8	# 1-3 Box IFO F-8	
	# 4 in box (w/ pg. 25) 13-5-8	
Item 9	# 5 omv safe # 15499	
Item 10		

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Date 25 May 90	Time received 1630	Received by [Signature]
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Title and Character of Case

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JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU S/W, CA. LIC. 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA., 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired

5-31-90

Source From Which Property Acquired

OAKLAND PD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CA.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☐ No

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

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Agent Assigned Case

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☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☐ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: HOSPITAL BED SHEET (WHITE) AND EKG LEAD PAD OF JUDI BARI
AT TIME OF HER TREATMENT FOR INJURIES FROM CAR BOMBING AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL, OAKLAND,
CA., ON 5/24/90.

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal #

Signature of Two
Special Agents
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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, items obtained by the Oakland Police Department at Highland Hospital in Oakland, California in connection with treatment of JUDI BARI for injuries sustained when the vehicle she was driving, a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, blew up as a result of a bomb that was inside this vehicle on May 24, 1990, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, where they were secured in the 6th floor conference room.

On June 1, 1990, an inventory of these items was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. A white hospital sheet that JUDI BARI was lying on at the time she was being treated for injuries she sustained in the car bomb incident on May 24, 1990.

2. One EKG lead pad that was on JUDI BARI for monitoring her vital signs.

3. Piece of plastic that the white hospital sheet was wrapped in.

4. A one gallon paint can in which the white hospital blanket was stored at the Oakland Police Department Property Room.

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Charge POSS. OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE	Classification 12303.2 PC	Arrest Number H041	E. D. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found MAY 90 1820	Address from where Property Taken ACR RECOVERY ROOM	Delivered to Property Section By <div></div>	
Complainant BARI, JUDITH	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>		
Officer Finding or Recovering Property <div></div>	Officer Receiving Property from Officer <div></div>	Officers Receiving Property from Officer <div></div>	

PROPERTY removed, damaged description of same including color size serial number etc	BAR CODE
Item 1 ONE (1) PKG LEAD PAD	
Item 2	
Item 3	
Item 4 6.51 1 X - 12-2-0	
Item 5	
Item 6	
Item 7	
Item 8	
Item 9	
Item 10	

Property Section Use Only

Date and Time to be filled in by Property Clerk Receiving Property

25 MAY 90 Time received **0130** Received by

Date
6/1/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY-VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired 5-31-90		Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG		Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE	
To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA 	Agent Assigned Case SA
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			
Description of Property or Exhibit			

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: PAPER BAG #13-7-B-PG#40
(ITEMS TAKEN FROM RESIDENCE DARRYL CHERNEY, 4531 LOWER THOMAS RANCH RD, GARBerville, CA)

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Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, items contained in paper bag number 13-7-B page 40, which were located during an executed Search Warrant at the residence located at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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On June 1, 1990, an inventory of the items in paper bag number 13-7-B page 40, was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Monkey/pipe wrench.
2. One finishing nail.
3. One piece of duct tape.
4. Two white envelopes with the address of Earth First!/DARRYL CHERNEY and a California Department of Motor Vehicles registration form in the name of DARRYL R. CHERNEY.
5. Two rolls of black electrical tape.
6. One spool of green electrical wire.
7. One nine volt Duracell battery.

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PROPERTY RECORD

Case No. POSS. EXP. DEV. (123550PL)		Arrested 170-11	R. D. Number 90-57171
Date and Time Property Found 25 MAY 90	Complainant SGT.	Delivered to Prop. SGT.	Check Property Box
Officer Finding Property ri, Judy	Case Ending or Recovering Property	Search Warrant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>
Officer Finding Property Cherney, Darryl	Case Ending or Recovering Property	Evidence <input type="checkbox"/>	Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>
Officer Finding Property Sgt.	Case Ending or Recovering Property	Officer Recovering Property from Citizen	

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Item	Description of Property	BAR CODE
Item 1	monkey wrench	
Item 2	Finishing nail	
Item 3	Duct Tape	
Item 4	paper Indian	
Item 5	2 rolls blk electrical tape	
Item 6	Red green electrical wire	
Item 7	9 volt Duracell battery	
Item 8	Bag 13-7-B	
Item 9	1	
Item 10		

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Date 6/1/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CA. LIC. 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA, 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired: 5-31-90 Source From Which Property Acquired: OAKLAND PD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CA.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit: PKG Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same: EVIDENCE

To Be Returned: ☐ Yes ☐ No See Serial: Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit: SA Agent Assigned Case: SA

☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☐ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government.

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: PAPER BAG #13-7-B-PG#39.
(ITEMS TAKEN FROM RESIDENCE OF JUDI BARI, 9491 HUMPHREY LN, REDWOOD VALLEY, CA.)

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal #

Signature of Two
Special Agents
Verifying and Sealing
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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, package labeled 13-7-B page 39, consisting of items taken from a residence located at 9491 Humphrey Lane, Redwood Valley, California, residence of JUDI BARI, pursuant to a search warrant executed at that residence by Oakland Police Department, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, where it was secured in the 6th floor conference room.

On June 1, 1990, an inventory of the items in the package labeled 13-7-B page 39 was made and the following items were identified:

1. Receipt number 7743, dated May 16, 1990, labeled Earth First! JUDI BARI in the amount of \$94.00, white envelope addressed to JUDI BARI, 9491 Humphrey, Redwood Valley, California 95470, postmarked North Bay, California, May 18, 1990, with a return address of STENBERG, 254 Wall Street, Fort Bragg, California 95437; and Pacific Bell bill on service for JUDITH B. BARI, P.O. Box 656, Willits, California 95490, telephone 707-459-5046.

2. Ceramic light bulb ceiling unit.

3. Box of finishing nails.

4. Two pieces of duct tape.

5. Book entitled "Ecodefense: A Field Guide to Monkey Wrenching, Second Edition".

6. BARI's 1990 calendar.

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Charge POSS. EXP. DEV. 12355 PC	Arrested HOM 1	R. D. Number 90-57171
Date and Time Property Found 2-MAY 90	Delivered to Sgt.	
Officer Finding L. ALI, JUDY	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/> Officers Receiving Property from Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>
Officer Receiving CHERNEY, DARRYL	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property SGT.	
Officer Finding Sgt.		

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PROPERTY	Normalized, detailed description of same, including color, size, serial number, etc.	BAR CODE
Item 1	Whi envelope and Pac Bell bill addressed to Susp. Basin at her address.	
	- Kitchen -	
Item 2	One ceramic light bulb ceiling unit.	
	- Storage Room -	
Item 3	Box of finishing nails	
	- Storage Room -	
Item 4	Four pieces of duct tape grey	
	- new construction site -	
Item 5	Book Ecodefense Field Guide to moneysaving	
	- Mrs. Basin's Calendar	
Item 7	Bag 13-7-B	
Item 8		
Item 9		
Item 10		

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;

JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-VICTIM;

DARRYL REED CHERNEY-VICTIM;

BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90

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Date Property Acquired

5-31-90

Source From Which Property Acquired

OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☐ No

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

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Agent Assigned Case

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE 13-5-B

(ITEMS TAKEN FROM RESIDENCE AT 725 E 23rd ST., OAKLAND, CA.)

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

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SEMIANNUAL INVENTORY CERTIFICATION TO JUSTIFY RETENTION OF PROPERTY (Initial and Date)

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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, Box 13-5-B page 23, consisting of material obtained during an executed Search Warrant at the residence of 725 East 23rd Street, Oakland, California, was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

On June 1, 1990, an inventory of the items in Box 13-5-B page 23, was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Sears Craftsman 3 1/8" drill, serial number B4119.
2. One black box of drill bits.
3. One brown bag containing miscellaneous papers with names and addresses "The Calendar of Actions and Events 1990".
4. One brown bag containing miscellaneous envelopes and papers.
5. One black toolbox containing miscellaneous tools, tape, nails, etc.
6. One brown bag containing a map, batteries, screwdriver, glue, tapes, forceps and pliers.

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Charge Poss. of Explosive Device	Arresting Officer HOME	E.D. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found 25 May 90 0200	Address from Where Property Taken PAB	
Complainant Sgt.	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>
Officer Finding or Recovering Property	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	Officer Recovering Property from Citizen

PROPERTY Itemized, detailed description of same including color, size serial number, etc.

BAR CODE

Item 1. One (1) Sears 3/8 inch drill SN B4119Item 2. One (1) Black box of drill bitsItem 3. One (1) Brown Bag marked A -Item 4. One (1) Brown Bag marked BItem 5. One (1) Black tool box w/ contents. Marked6. One (1) Brown Bag Marked C - Contains batteries, screwdriver, glue, tape, forceps, and pliers.

Item 7.

Item 8.

Item 9.

Item 10.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU S/W, CA. LIC. 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA, 5/24/90
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Date Property Acquired

5-31-90

Source From Which Property Acquired

OAKLAND PD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CA.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

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Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: ARTICLES OF CLOTHING OBTAINED FROM JUDI BARI AT TIME SHE WAS BEING TREATED FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED FROM CAR BOMBING AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CA., ON 5/24/90.

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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, articles of clothing belonging to JUDI BARI, the driver of the 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, at the time of the bomb explosion on May 24, 1990, were obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, where they were secured in the 6th floor conference room.

On June 1, 1990, an inventory of these articles of clothing belonging to JUDI BARI, of which clothing was obtained by the Oakland Police Department at Highland Hospital at the time she was receiving treatment at Highland Hospital in Oakland, California on May 24, 1990, for injuries she sustained when a bomb went off in her vehicle, was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. One pair of blue jeans.
2. One white female Jockey briefs.
3. One pink tank top.
4. One green t-shirt with Earth First! insignia on it.
5. One black collared buttoned shirt.
6. One pair of light green socks.
7. A one gallon paint can in which the articles of clothing from BARI were stored at the Oakland Police Department Property Room.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;

JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-VICTIM;

DARRYL REED CHERNEY-VICTIM;

BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90

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Date Property Acquired

5/31/90

Source From Which Property Acquired

OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, items contained in box 13-5-B page 21, consisting of materials located during an executed Search Warrant at the residence of [redacted] was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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On June 1, 1990, an inventory of the items in box 13-5-B page 21, items which were obtained from CHERNEY's 1976 Dodge van with California license 1NER943 parked in front of [redacted] was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

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1. Twelve pieces of rebar, approximately 12 inches long and one threaded pipe.
2. Red metal tool kit containing miscellaneous sockets and extensions.
3. A Craftsman gray metal toolbox containing miscellaneous sockets, wrenches, pliers and screw drivers.
4. A Samsonite white carrying case containing miscellaneous wrenches, electrical testing equipment, alligator clips, hammers, duct tapes, wires and wire brush.

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Subsequent to the inventory made on June 1, 1990, of the items taken from CHERNEY's 1976 Dodge van with California license 1NER943, that was parked in front of the residence at [redacted] pursuant to a search warrant executed by Oakland Police Department on May 24, 1990, box #13-5-B page 21 a gray metal Craftsman toolbox containing miscellaneous tools as identified on the inventory as item #3, was opened and the following items were further identified in preparation for shipment to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Laboratory:

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1. A Craftsman vice grips from the lower compartment of the toolbox.
2. A Craftsman channel lock pliers from the top tray of the toolbox.
3. A Craftsman chisel, approximately five inches in length from the top tray of the toolbox.
4. A Craftsman chisel, approximately four inches in length from the top tray of the toolbox.
5. A Craftsman hole punch from the top tray of the toolbox.
6. Multi-strand insulated wire from the top tray of the toolbox.

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Charge POSS. of Explosive Device	Classification Device	Arrest Number Homi	R. D. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found 25 May 90 0615			
Complainant Sgt. []	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>		
Officer Finding or Recovering Property []	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property []	Officer Recovering Property from Citizen []	

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PROPERTY Item	Description of same including color, size, serial number, etc.	BAR CODE
Item 1	One (1) large Road map - Rand McNally Road Atlas. Recovered in rear NE bedroom. Areas circled on map.	
Item 2	One (1) envelope of Misc maps - 7 (seven)	
Item 3	One (1) Envelope of papers which includes a map of head water forests, a sample from Remington Noiseless typewriter, second headwater forest map, map of Humboldt campus, and misc papers - Recovered rear NE bedroom	
Item 4	One (1) envelope of Misc papers from rear bedroom, front office, and livingroom.	
Item 5	One (1) California I.D. Card for [] Recovered in the kitchen on the table.	
Item 6	Two (2) duct tape. One found on outside vehicle - marked vehicle and one in the house that was to the rear.	
Item 7	Six (6) nails discovered in the rear building.	
Item 8	Three (3) AA Duracell batteries. Discovered in the rear building.	
Item 9		
Item 10		
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Charge Poss. of Explosive Device	Arrest Number Homi	R. D. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found 25 May 90 0615	Address from Where Property Taken	Delivered to Property Section By
Complainant	Check Proper Box Search Warrant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Found Property <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence <input type="checkbox"/> Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>	
Officer Finding or Recovering Property	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	Officer Recovering Property from Citizen

PROPERTY Inventory, detailed description of items, including color, size, serial number, etc.

BAR CODE

- Item 1 One (1) Rand McNally Oakland Map. - Recovered from the rear bedroom. NE corner
- Item 2 One (1) Roll silver duct tape. Recovered from the rear bedroom NE corner.
- Item 3 One (1) masking tape. Storage area - rear building
- Item 4 One (1) roll black electricians tape. Rear bedroom area of rear building.
- Item 5 One (1) roll olive green mailing tape. Recovered from the rear NE corner.
- One (1) Needle nose pliers, One (1)
- Item 7 One (1) wire snip pliers
- Item 8 One (1) pliers - 6-8 have a white handle and found in south bedroom of rear building room (Handles are gray to white)
- Item 9 One (1) small bag marked wire A. Recovered from rear building
- Item 10 One (1) small bag marked wire B. Recovered from rear bedroom NE corner.

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On 25 May 90 Time received 0645 Received by

Charge 12303.2 PC	Arrested HUMI	R. D. Number 90-057171
Date and Time Property Found 24 MAY 90 1940	Address from Where Property Taken	
Bar AAWATMAN	Complainant BARI, Judi	Delivered to Property Section By
	Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/>	Found Property <input type="checkbox"/>
	Evidence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Property Held For Safekeeping <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Officer Receiving Property from Citizen	
	Citizen Finding or Recovering Property	

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PROPERTY (Detailed description of same, including color, size, serial number, etc.)	BAR CODE
Item 1: Paper bag, "Yaeger + Kirtz Hardware" containing twelve (12) pieces of 1/2" re-bar, approx. 12" long, and one (1) threaded pipe w/ open hole caps on each end, approx. 7" long.	
Item 2: Tool kit, red metal, containing misc. sockets and extensions; sixteen (16) pieces.	
Item 3: Tool box, "CRAFTSMAN", grey metal, cont. misc. sockets, wrenches, pliers, screwdrivers, etc.	
Item 4: Carry case, "SAMSONITE" tanish, w/hi plastic, cont. misc. wrenches, electrical testing equip, wire, alligator clip, hammers, duct tape, wire brush, etc.	
Item 5:	
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Item 10:	

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At 11:30 a.m. on May 31, 1990, items contained in box 13-5-B pages 24 and 25, consisting of materials obtained during an executed Search Warrant at the residence of [redacted] was obtained from the Oakland Police Department Property Room and transported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office at 450 Golden Gate Avenue where it was secured in the sixth floor conference room.

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On June 1, 1990, an inventory of the items in box 13-5-B pages 24 and 25, was made in preparation for shipment to the FBI Laboratory and the following items were identified:

1. Large Rand McNally Road Atlas map.
2. An envelope of miscellaneous maps.

3. Envelope of papers which include the following: a map of Headwaters Forest, a sample letter typing from a Remington noiseless typewriter, a map of Cal State University at Humboldt, and other miscellaneous papers.

4. An envelope of miscellaneous papers.

5. One California Identification Card for [redacted]
[redacted] date of birth [redacted]

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6. Two rolls of duct tape.

7. Six nails.

8. Three AA Duracell batteries.

9. One Rand McNally map of the city of Oakland.

10. One roll of silver duct tape.

11. One roll of masking tape.

12. One roll of black electricians tape.

13. One roll of olive green mailing tape.

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- 14. One needle nose pliers.
- 15. One wire snip pliers.
- 16. One pliers with white handle.
- 17. Miscellaneous wires.
- 18. Miscellaneous wires.

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Date 5-31-90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU WAGON, CA LIC #2NWX290
OAKLAND, CA 5-24-90; EID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired

Source From Which Property Acquired

OPD Property Room, Oakland, CA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

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Evidence

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

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SEE ATTACHED FD#302 RE: BOX #10

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Pursuant to a bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located and placed in box 10, bag 1, for identification. Contained in box 10, bag 1 are items from the following quadrants:

A. Quadrant B (Sidewalk to building area): The below item was placed in a plastic bag labeled #1 by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]

1. Rubber window seal with glass fragments.

B. Quadrant B (Sidewalk to building area): These items were placed in a plastic bag labeled #2 by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]

1. Small metal fragment.
2. Key chain with star.
3. Blue plastic fragments.
4. Washer.

C. Quadrant B (Sidewalk to building area and on East 34th Street): These items were placed in a plastic bag labeled #3 by SA [redacted]

1. Fiber.
2. Cloth material.
3. Cloth.
4. Metal ring and cloth.
5. Wire with black tape.
6. Radiator cap.

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7. Miscellaneous fragments.
8. Cloth and button.
9. Cloth.
10. Metal piece and wire.
11. Sponge.

D. Quadrant A - Lane #1 (curbside): This item was placed in a plastic bag #4 by SA [redacted]

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1. Large fragments.

E. Quadrant A (Nine to ten feet from fence at 185' mark (on street)): This item was located by SA [redacted] and placed in bag #5.

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1. Duct tape.

F. Quadrant "C" (Section "C") (Approximately 25 feet from street/curb directly in line with phone booth on side of AM/PM): This item was located by SA [redacted] and placed in bag #6.

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1. Wire connector.

G. Quadrant "B" (Approximately 8 feet from fence at 125' marker (on street)): This item was located by SA [redacted] and placed in bag #7.

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1. Brass colored key.

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Pursuant to a bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located and placed in box 10, bag 2, for identification purposes. Contained in box 10, bag 2 are items from the following quadrants:

Item #1 (Located in quadrant C, lane 1) - Metal cap and small gray piece of plastic.

Item #2 (Located in quadrant C, lane 2) - Wood fragment.

Item #3 (Located in parking lot of the Arco AM/PM convenience store) - Miscellaneous debris.

Item #4 (Located in quadrant A, lanes 2 and 3) - Miscellaneous debris.

Item #4a (Located in quadrant A, lanes 2 and 3) - Two nails and miscellaneous debris.

Item #5 (Located in quadrant A, lanes 2 and 3) - Miscellaneous debris.

Item #6 (located in quadrant A, lane 4) - Miscellaneous plastic debris.

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On May 24, 1990, a search was conducted of the public street identified as the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The items located in quadrant B, lane 2 were marked noting the approximate location from the blast site and placed in box 10, bag 3 for identification.

1. Piece of metal fragment.
2. A camouflage hat with the name Earth First!
3. Miscellaneous debris to include the following:
 - 3a. Miscellaneous pieces of plastic.
 - 3b. Miscellaneous metal pieces.
 - 3c. One piece of fiberboard.
 - 3d. Miscellaneous pieces of tape and mat.
 - 3e. Piece of wire.
 - 3f. Light switch.
 - 3g. Numerous nails
 - 3h. Miscellaneous pieces of porcelain.
4. Unknown metal object.
5. Earth First! matchbook.
6. Metal pipe fragment.
7. Clock spring.
8. Piece of red electrical wire.
9. Metal electrical connector with screw.
10. Metal clock fragment.

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11. Metal half moon fragment with cardboard and tape.
12. Nail with electrical wire and tape.
13. Duracell battery casing.
14. Piece of black plastic.
15. Metal fragment.
16. Nail with tape.
17. Nail with tape.
18. Nail with tape.
19. Nail with tape.
20. Single nail.
21. Single nail.
22. Black plastic.

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Pursuant to the bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located in quadrant B, lane 1 of Park Boulevard and a section of East 34th Street. These items were placed in box 10, bag 4, for identification purposes and are identified as follows:

1. One piece of metal fragment.
2. Several pieces of blue plastic.
3. Several pieces of blue fabric.
4. Several pieces of fiberboard fragments.
5. One piece of blue metal.
6. One piece of fabric.
7. One piece of miscellaneous debris.
8. One metal clip.
9. One black plastic clip.
10. One nail.
11. One piece of blue fabric.
12. One piece of blue fabric.
13. One white plastic clip.
14. One piece of black plastic.
15. One piece of debris.
16. One piece of blue fabric.

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- 17. One nail with tape.
- 18. One piece of blue fabric.

The above items were located and placed in plastic bags
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- 19. A metal fragment.
- 20. A metal fragment.

The above two items were located by Special Agent
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- 21. A metal fragment.
- 22. A metal fragment.
- 23. Miscellaneous debris.
- 24. A metal fragment.
- 25. A metal fragment.

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Pursuant to the bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located in quadrant B, lane 2 and placed in box 10, bag 5, for identification purposes.

1. Metal fragment.
2. Metal fragment.
3. Green army hat with the name "Earth First!".
4. Wood fragment.

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Pursuant to the bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located in quadrant B, lane 4 and placed in box 10, bag 6, for identification purposes:

1. Miscellaneous metal pieces.
2. End cap (fragment of threaded pipe).
3. Piece of threaded end cap.
4. Metal fragment.
5. Metal fragment.
6. Metal fragment.
7. Metal fragment.
8. Metal fragment.
9. Piece of plastic.
10. Wood fragment.
11. Miscellaneous pieces of plastic.

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Pursuant to the bombing of a 1981 white Subaru GL, with California license 2NWX290, a search was conducted of the surface of the 3400 block of Park Boulevard, Oakland, California. The area to be searched was divided into sections or quadrants. The following items were located and placed in box 10, bag 7, for identification purposes. Contained in box 10, bag 7 are items from the following quadrants:

Center Mass: Special Agent [] swept the area surrounding and including the area over which a bomb device detonated (designated center mass) and recovered numerous debris which was examined by SA [] on May 29, 1990, at which time the following items were identified:

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Center mass #1: Miscellaneous debris.

Center mass #2: Metal fragments.

Center mass #3: Pieces of fiberboard.

Center mass #4: Miscellaneous car fragments.

Quadrant B, lane 1: The following item was located by SA []:

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1. Metal fragment.

Quadrant B, lane 2 and 3: The following item was located by SA []

1. Large metal fragment.

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by SA [] SA [] dld Date dictated 5/30/90

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Date **xx** 5/31/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON, CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID; OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired 5-25-90	Source From Which Property Acquired OPD PROPERTY ROOM, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA		
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG PKE	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same EVIDENCE		
To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA 	Agent Assigned Case SA
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			

Description of Property or Exhibit

SEE ATTACHED FD-302 RE: BOX #8

*Evidence given to Oakland P.D.
5/29/90. Papers from Item 1, Item 2, Item 4,
& Item 5 sent to FBI + IQ, & returned to Evidence Room.*

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Date of transcription 5/29/90

An inventory was conducted, in the secured sixth floor SAC Conference Room of the San Francisco Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) office, of the contents of a camouflage color "Clear Creek" brand backpack, which had been taken into evidence on May 24, 1990, during a search conducted at the Oakland Police Department of a [redacted] Tennessee license [redacted].

The contents of aforementioned backpack were as follows:

1. One 8" x 10" manila folder, labeled "Tour May '90", containing miscellaneous papers.
2. One light green 8" x 10" cardboard file, labeled "Mailing List", containing miscellaneous papers.
3. One 8" x 10" manila folder, labeled "Press List" on one side and [redacted] on the other side, containing miscellaneous papers.
4. One legal size manila folder, labeled "Harassment", containing miscellaneous papers.
5. One legal size yellow folder, labeled "Redwood Summer" containing, miscellaneous papers.
6. One rust color pocket notebook, bearing sticker of picture of earth and the letters "DC" engraved on a small gold plate in the lower right corner, containing various business cards and two tan color pocket address books bearing the name DARRYL CHERNEY on the inside covers, and a copy of "Jim Maynard's Celestial Guide 1990" calendar.
7. One black vinyl tri-fold wallet, containing two California drivers licenses and other miscellaneous pieces of identification for DARRYL CHERNEY and miscellaneous business cards and receipts.
8. One "Konica Pop" pocket camera, in a black camera case, containing film reflecting 12 exposed pictures.
9. One red and black notebook, with a sticker on the front bearing the picture of a broken automatic rifle and the word "Peace" in several languages.

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by SA [redacted] /dld Date dictated 5/29/90

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10. One "Dyna-Tone" brand VHS videotape, labeled "CAHTO Oct. '88 edited, Return to Earth First! Box 34, Garberville, Ca. 95440".
11. One copy of paperback book entitled "We Are Not Afraid."
12. Three copies of Volume 87 of the "Industrial Worker" newspaper.
13. One yellow legal size folder containing miscellaneous papers and newspaper articles.
14. One receipt from "Frank's Tire Service", dated May 22, 1990.
15. Five envelopes/pieces of mail.
16. One clear plastic notebook sheet for slide pictures.
17. One white paper address book, stamped on front "Earth First! Garberville, California 95440", and a sticker on the front "Free Our Public Lands."
18. Six packets of guitar strings, bound together with a large rubberband.
19. One roll of 25 cent U.S. postage stamps.
20. One plastic sandwich baggie containing one purple toothbrush, one tube of toothpaste and one package of dental floss.
21. Two "Energizer" AA size batteries, bound together with a rubberband.
22. One almost empty wrapper/bag for "Azar" dry roasted peanuts.
23. One small paper bag containing some "trail mix".
24. One 1 ounce bottle, with eyedropper top, of Chinacea Wild Root, made by "Common Ground Herbs".

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25. One bottle of "Rugby Extra Strength Pain Reliever" tablets.

26. One heavy duty black paperclip and two small paperclips.

27. Four black "Flair" pens, one black "Papermate" ballpoint pen, one black "Sanford" marker.

28. One vehicle insurance registration for DARRYL R. CHERNEY, issued by Financial Indemnity Company for a 1975 Datsun B210 SW KHL210076271.

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29. Two groups of miscellaneous notes stapled together.

30. One pad of lined paper, containing two pages of handwritten notes and one page of typed notes with handwritten notations.

31. One calendar, from "Valu-Rite" opened to May, 1990, containing handwritten notations.

32. One parking violation, #708439841, dated April 23, 1990, at 1:06 p.m. for a [redacted]

33. One receipt for United Airlines ticket #7189788619, dated April 30, 1990, from San Francisco to Phoenix.

34. One Raley's Travel Center Invoice #0022331, dated April 30, 1990.

35. Three typewritten pages, paperclipped together, entitled "Dirty Tricks Campaign Fail to Stymie 'Redwood Summer' Organizing".

The above backpack was part of the evidence contained in Oakland Police Department Property #90-057171, Package 12, Box #8, Vehicle #2, entered into Oakland Police Department Evidence on May 25, 1990.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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An inventory was conducted, in the secured sixth floor SAC Conference Room of the San Francisco Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office, of a box containing contents which had been taken into evidence on May 24, 1990, during a search conducted at the Oakland Police Department of a [redacted] bearing Tennessee license [redacted]. The contents of aforementioned box were as follows:

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1. One May 5, 1990, issue of TV Guide.

2. One Express mail envelope addressed to "Seeds of Peace, 2440 - 16th Street, Box 241, San Francisco, California 94103, Attn: [redacted] Return addressee [redacted] and [redacted]"

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3. Miscellaneous papers and pamphlets.

4. One white envelope addressed to [redacted] forwarding address of [redacted]

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[redacted] Return addressee Tennessee Department of Revenue, Andrew Jackson State Office Building, 500 Deaderick Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37242-0300.

5. One City of Oakland Notice to Appear, Oakland Citation number 1435994X for vehicle license [redacted] Tennessee, [redacted] two door, which occurred on April 13, 1990, time 1206 hours, at 1421 Harrison.

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6. One parking citation number 501425490 City of Berkeley, California for a [redacted] California license [redacted] for an expired meter in public lot that occurred on November 16, 1989, at 12:55 by Officer [redacted] Badge number [redacted] Meter number 276, #14 bail.

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7. One Lyon's Great Food and Drinks Employee Handbook, Lyon's Restaurant number 445, 5750 Christie Avenue, 415-652-2773.

8. One San Francisco and East Bay BART and Busses Guide to Public Transportation from BART, May 1988.

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9. One red University of Delaware spiral notebook 9 1/2" by 6", with the name printed on the front of the notebook.

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10. One black vinyl name and address book.

11. One brown "Day At A Glance 1990" appointment book.

12. One paperback book entitled "The American Way of Death" by JESSICA MITFORD.

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13. One brown clutch wallet with blue and white flowers containing various miscellaneous receipts and Oregon Drivers license issued October 6, 1987, to date of birth

14. One Rand McNalley Road Atlas of U.S., Canada and Mexico.

15. One green canvas knapsack containing miscellaneous pamphlets and papers. Also included were:

A. A spiral notebook 9 1/2" by 6" with the name and 1 T-Shirts printed on the front of the notebook.

B. One brown spiral drawing pad 6" by 8", Strathmore 400 series.

C. One brown polyester one inch paint brush.

D. Six ballpoint pens.

E. One multi-color yarn.

F. One creme colored hairbrush.

G. One bottle of Calamine lotion.

H. One roll of scotch tape.

I. Two tampons.

K. One American Tourister key.

L. One 3 1/2" floppy disk.

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The above items were booked into evidence at Oakland Police Department on May 25, 1990, Oakland Police Department property number 90-057171, package 12, box number 8.

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Date 6/21/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGEN, CALIF. LIC. 2NWX290
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 5/24/90
EID; OO : SAN FRANCISCO

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Date Property Acquired	Source From Which Property Acquired
6/19/90	MENDOCINO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
PKG	EVIDENCE

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

see attached FD-302 re: *Item #5*

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At 2:20 p.m. on June 19, 1990, a mechanically printed letter was obtained from Sergeant [] at the Mendocino County Sheriff's Department, 951 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, California 95482.

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Sergeant [] advised the letter was given to Lieutenant [] 1:30 p.m. on May 31, 1990, by [] and [] of the Recycling Center, Laytonville, California (work) (home) [] Lieutenant [] gave custody of the letter to [] advising the [] received the letter at the Laytonville Post Office on May 19, 1990.

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The letter is described as follows:

1. Two pages of mechanically printed lettering addressed to: Eco-Freak(s)
POB 372
Laytonville, California 95454

From: Fed Up Americans for Common Sense.

2. White windowed envelope with 25 cent LOVE stamp, no postmark.

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Investigation on 6/19/90 at Ukiah, California File # 174A-SF-90788

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7/2/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB; aka
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - Victim
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru,
California License 2NWX290, Oakland, Ca., 5/24/90; EID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired

6/19/90

Source From Which Property Acquired

Sgt. [] Ukiah P.D.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Bulky Exhibits GUN LOCKER

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Evidence

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

One MARLIN .22 cal. long rifle semi-automatic tubular fed magazine rifle model #996 serial # 25474998,
with an ALL PRO 4 power scope.

See five day memo dtd. 7/2/90.vg.

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Date: 7/2/90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB; aka
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-Victim
DARRYL REED CHERNEY-Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru,
California License 2N4290, Oakland, Ca.
5/24/90; EID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired

6/19/90

Source From Which Property Acquired

Deputy [redacted] Mendocino County S.O.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Bulky Exhibits PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

SA [redacted]

SA [redacted]

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government.

Description of Property or Exhibit

One brown cardboard box, approximately 3'4" x 6" x 2 1/2", addressed to Judi Bari, 6896 Hwy. 116.
#, Folsomville, Ca. 95486, (707) 887-2111

See five day memo dtd. 7/2/90.vg.

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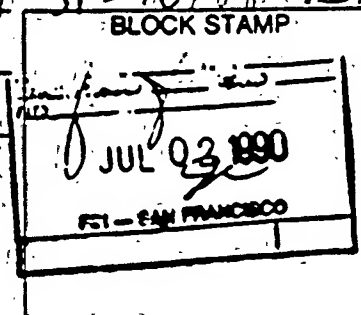
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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI - VICTIM;
DARRYL REED CHERNEY - VICTIM
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATION WAGON
CALIFORNIA LICENSE 2NWX290

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Oakland, CA 5/24/90; EID; OO:SF

Date Property Acquired

Source From Which Property Acquired

7/31/90

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Possible Evidence

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☐ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

- 1) Undated typed letter to Eco-Freak(s) POB 372, Laytonville, CA 95454
- 2) A flyer captioned "JOHN 3:16" with torn literature from Good News Publishers stapled to it.
- 3) One photocopy of a picture of Judy Bari with an attached yellow ribbon.
- 4) One envelope from [redacted]
- 5) Envelope addressed to JUDI BARI c/o Enviromental Center with a two page letter.
- 6) Envelope addressed to Mendocino Environmental Center with a one page letter to: To whom it may concern-everybody
- 7) Envelope and letter to Judy Bari post marked 4/10/90, North Bay CA.
- 8) Envelope post marked Industry, CA 5/11/90 and letter to [redacted]

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUB;
Judith Beatrice Bari - Victim;
Darryl Reed Cherney - Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru Sataion wagon
CA Lic # ~~2DX~~ 2NWX290
Oakland, CA 5-24-90; EID: 00:SF

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Date Property Acquired

8-9-90

Source From Which Property Acquired

Redwood Record, Garberville

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Possible Evidence

To Be Returned

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☒ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

One typed letter to the Editor from Darryl Cherney

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Title and Character of Case

Date Property Acquired <u>8/27/90</u>	Source From Which Property Acquired <u>Humboldt Co S.O. Eureka, CA.</u>
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit <u>PKG</u>	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same <u>Evidence</u>

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

One 4"x6" card

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Date 8-29-90

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS;
Judith Beatrice Bari - Victim;
Darryl Reed Cherney - Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru Station Wagon
CA Lic # 2nwx290, Oakland, CA 5/24/90

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Date Property Acquired 8-28-90 Source From Which Property Acquired
Officer CA State Police, Sacramento, CA

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit PKG Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
Evidence

To Be Returned See Serial Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit Agent Assigned Case
☐ Yes ☒ No SA SA

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

- 1) Envelope from Concerned Citized, Arcata, CA to Assembly Member Dan Hauser, Sacramento, CA postmarker, April 26th, Eureka, CA
- 2) Photocopy of letter/flyer captioned "Trees spiked on all species Forest"
- 3) Envelope from California State Police postmarked August 27, 1990 to FBI San Francisco, CA.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUB; aka
JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-Victim
DARRYL REED CHERNEY-Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru;
California license 2NWX290; Oakland, Ca.
5/24/90; EID; OO:SF

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Date Property Acquired 6/19/90	Source From Which Property Acquired Sgt. [redacted] Mendocino County S.O.		
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Bulky Exhibits PKG	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same Evidence		
To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial [redacted]	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit SA [redacted]	Agent Assigned Case SA [redacted]
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Property to be Forfeited to the Government			
Description of Property or Exhibit			

One manila envelope containing: smaller white envelope, which contained three pieces of paper which had white racist remarks written on them and an audio tape cassette labeled "Whither America".

See five day memo dtd. 8/29/90.vg.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS; JUDITH BEATRICE BARI-VICTIM; DARRYL REED CHERNEY-VICTIM;
BOMBING OF 1981 SUBARU STATIONWAGON CALIF. LIC.2NWX290;
OAKLAND, CALIF.

5/24/90

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OO : SAN FRANCISCO

Date Property Acquired
8/30/90

Source From Which Property Acquired
U.S. POSTAL-MAXXAM INC.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit
PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
EVIDENCE

To Be Returned
☐ Yes ☒ No

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit
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Agent Assigned Case

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

Anonymous letter and envelop addressed to Pacific Lumber Co., Humbolt
County, Calif.

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Date 6-4-91

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB; aka
Judith Beatrice Bari-Victim
Darryl Reed Cherney-Victim
Bombing of 1981 Subaru
CA Lic #2NWX290; Oakland, CA
5-24-90: ETC: OC:SF

Date Property Acquired 5-31-91
Source From Which Property Acquired
Bulldies 1B1-1B

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

PKG

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Correlation and Examination

To Be Returned
☐ Yes ☒ No

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit
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Agent Assigned Case
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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

See attached list

This particular exhibit comprises pertinent Bomb Components as denoted on Laboratory Report dated 6/14/90. The origin of these exhibits is shown on the attached descriptive pages.

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	A	B	C	D	E
1			Assembled 5/31/91 from items returned from Lab Exams		
2				Crime Scene	1B
3		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
4					
5	*	20	Wire & metal fragments	1	3
6					
7					
8	*	22	Wire & yellow sponge fragment	1	3
9					
10					
11	*	24	2 nails & misc debris	1	3
12					
13					
14	*	25	Misc debris w/ yellow sponge	1	3
15					
16					
17	*	28	3 misc pieces of metal	1	3
18					
19					
20	*	32	nails	1	3
21					
22					
23	*	45	1 nail	1	3
24					
25					
26	*	46	cardboard battery backing	1	3
27					
28					
29	*	49	piece of plastic (white)	1	3
30					
31					
32	*	52	clock parts	1	3
33					
34					
35	*	55	part of light bulb	1	3
36					
37					
38	*	56	fragment of metal	1	3
39					
40					
41	*	63	fragments of wire	1	3
42					
43					
44	*	65	fragment of blue material	1	3
45					
46					
47	*Denotes Removed to Device Components Box				

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	A	B	C	D	E
48				Crime Scene	1B
49		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
50	*	72	ball bearing	1	3
51					
52					
53	*	82	fragment of wire	1	3
54					
55					
56	*	83	fragment of battery	1	3
57					
58					
59	*	84	fragment of end cap	1	3
60					
61					
62	*	85	debris	1	3
63					
64					
65	*	103	nails	1	3
66					
67					
68	*	120	fragments of battery & wire	2	4
69					
70					
71	*	121	fragment of end cap,	2	4
72			nail, & debris		
73					
74					
75	*	122	fragment of watch, end cap	2	4
76			& debris		
77					
78					
79	*	125	fragments of fiber board	2	4
80					
81					
82	*	135	pipe fragments & 1 nail	2	4
83					
84					
85	*	138	fragment of red wire	4	14
86					
87					
88	*	139	Phillip-head screw & washer	4	14
89					
90					
91	*	140	misc debris	6	5
92					
93					
94					

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	A	B	C	D	E
95				Crime Scene	1B
96		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
97	*	141	light bulb socket w/ wire	6	5
98					
99					
100	*	142	battery fragment	6	5
101					
102					
103	*	143	2 battery fragments	6	5
104					
105					
106	*	145	battery fragment		
107			(rear seat cushion B)		
108					
109					
110	*	147	end cap fragment	9	
111					
112					
113	*	148	pieces of green & red	9	
114			wire & tape		
115					
116					
117	*	150	battery fragment & debris	9	
118					
119					
120	*	152	nails & fragments of tape	9	
121					
122					
123	*	158	nail	9	
124					
125					
126	*	163	nail	9	
127					
128					
129	*	166	nail	9	
130					
131					
132	*	168	wire fragment	9	
133					
134					
135	*	169	wire fragment	9	
136					
137					
138	*	172	nails & tape	9	
139					
140					
141					

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	A	B	C	D	E
142				Crime Scene	1B
143		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
144	*	174	nails & tape	9	
145					
146					
147	*	178	nails & tape	9	
148					
149					
150	*	179	nails & tape	9	
151					
152					
153	*	181	switch fragment	9	
154					
155					
156	*	184	end cap fragment	9	
157					
158					
159	*	189	nail & tape	9	
160					
161					
162	*	191	fiberboard & tape	9	
163					
164					
165	*	193	red wire	9	
166					
167					
168	*	196	end cap fragment	9	
169					
170					
171	*	197	nail	9	
172					
173					
174	*	199	metal screw w/ washer	9	
175					
176					
177	*	201	metal fragment	9	
178					
179					
180	*	202	wire w/ tape	9	
181					
182					
183	*	203	nail & tape	9	
184					
185					
186	*	204	nail	9	
187					
188					

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	A	B	C	D	E
189				Crime Scene	1B
190		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
191	*	208	nails & tape	9	
192					
193					
194	*	209	nails	9	
195					
196					
197	*	212	nails	9	
198					
199					
200	*	218	pipe nipple fragment	9	
201					
202					
203	*	222	end cap fragment	9	
204					
205					
206	*	225	misc car parts	9	
207					
208					
209	*	240	metal itme & wire	10	22
210					
211					
212	*	250	nails, wire, & debris	10	22
213					
214					
215	*	253	metal fragment & fiberboard	10	22
216					
217					
218	*	258	fiberboard	10	22
219					
220					
221	*	260	wire fragment	10	22
222					
223					
224	*	261	ligh switch & base of	10	22
225			light socket		
226					
227					
228	*	262	nails	10	22
229					
230					
231	*	266	end cap fragment	10	22
232					
233	*	267	watch spring	10	22
234					
235					

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	A	B	C	D	E
236				Crime Scene	1B
237		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
238	*	268	wire fragment	10	22
239					
240					
241	*	269	wire, screw, & metal connecto	10	22
242					
243					
244					
245	*	270	watch fragment	10	22
246					
247					
248	*	271	metal fragment, fiberboard,	10	22
249			& duct tape		
250					
251					
252	*	272	wire fragment, tape & nail	10	22
253					
254					
255	*	273	Duracell battery casing	10	22
256					
257					
258	*	274	black plastic fragment	10	22
259					
260					
261	*	275	metal fragment	10	22
262					
263					
264	*	276	grey duct tape & nail	10	22
265					
266					
267	*	277	grey duct tape & nail	10	22
268					
269					
270	*	278	grey duct tape & nail	10	22
271					
272					
273	*	279	grey duct tape & nail	10	22
274					
275					
276	*	280	nail	10	22
277					
278					
279	*	281	nail	10	22
280					
281					
282					

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	A	B	C	D	E
283				Crime Scene	1B
284		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
285	*	286	fiberboard fragments	10	22
286					
287					
288	*	292	nail	10	22
289					
290					
291	*	297	fiberboard fragment	10	22
292					
293					
294	*	299	grey duct tape & nail	10	22
295					
296					
297	*	301	metal fragment	10	22
298					
299					
300	*	304	end cap fragment	10	22
301					
302					
303	*	309	pipe nipple fragment	10	22
304					
305					
306	*	314	end cap fragment	10	22
307					
308					
309	*	326	fiberboard & grey duct tape	10	22
310					
311					
312		21	Pipe nipple fragment	1	3
313					
314					
315		23	Metal fragment	1	3
316					
317					
318		26	Carpet & debris	1	3
319					
320					
321		27	Red & green wire insulation	1	3
322					
323					
324		29	1 nail & 1 nut	1	3
325					
326					
327		30	misc debris	1	3
328					
329					

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330				Crime Scene	1B
331	Q#		Description	Evidence Box	Origion
332	31		misc debris	1	3
333					
334					
335	33		misc wire	1	3
336					
337					
338	34		misc paper	1	3
339					
340					
341	35		misc debris	1	3
342					
343					
344	36		misc debris	1	3
345					
346					
347	37		pipe fragment & debris	1	3
348					
349					
350	38		misc porcelain fragments	1	3
351					
352					
353	39		misc debris	1	3
354					
355					
356	40		misc debris	1	3
357					
358					
359	41		misc car parts	1	3
360					
361					
362	42		misc items from glove box	1	3
363					
364					
365	43		misc debris	1	3
366					
367					
368	44		wire, tape, & debris	1	3
369					
370					
371	47		2 nails, wire screen, & paper	1	3
372					
373					
374	48		misc debris	1	3
375					
376					

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377				Crime Scene	1B
378	Q#		Description	Evidence Box	Origion
379	50		misc porcelain fragments	1	3
380					
381					
382	51		debris	1	3
383					
384					
385	53		1 nail and debris	1	3
386					
387					
388	54		foam from car w/ burn marks	1	3
389					
390					
391	57		misc debris	1	3
392					
393					
394	58		seat cover from passenger	1	3
395			side of vehicle	1	3
396					
397					
398	59		fragments of foil & tape	1	3
399					
400					
401	60		fragments of metal & tape	1	3
402					
403					
404	61		Debris	1	3
405					
406					
407	62		fragment of metal & wire	1	3
408					
409					
410	64		fragments of tape	1	3
411					
412					
413	66		fragments of blue porcelain	1	3
414					
415					
416	67		debris	1	3
417					
418					
419	68		fragments of paper & debris	1	3
420					
421					
422	69		debris	1	3
423					

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424				Crime Scene	1B
425		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
426		70	debris	1	3
427					
428					
429		71	debris	1	3
430					
431					
432		73	fragments of metal	1	3
433					
434					
435		74	carpet	1	3
436					
437					
438		75	fragments of blue material	1	3
439			& debris	1	3
440					
441					
442		76	debris	1	3
443					
444					
445		77	fragments of blue porcelain	1	3
446					
447					
448		78	debris	1	3
449					
450					
451		79	nail	1	3
452					
453					
454		80	debris	1	3
455					
456					
457		81	fragment of battery	1	3
458					
459					
460		86	debris	1	3
461					
462					
463		87	fragments of watch	1	3
464					
465					
466		88	misc debris	1	3
467					
468					
469		89	debris	1	3
470					

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471				Crime Scene	1B
472		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
473		90	debris	1	3
474					
475					
476		91	debris	1	3
477					
478					
479		92	fragments of wood	1	3
480					
481					
482		93	fragments of paper	1	3
483					
484					
485		94	cassette tape entitled	1	3
486			"Guitar Lessons"	1	3
487					
488					
489		95	1 pair of shoes & newspaper	1	3
490					
491					
492		96	debris	1	3
493					
494					
495		97	debris	1	3
496					
497					
498		98	wrench	1	3
499					
500					
501		99	notebook paper, beginning	1	3
502				1	3
503					
504					
505		100	DMV & insurance records	1	3
506			for '81 Subaru in name of	1	3
507			Judy Bari	1	3
508					
509					
510		101	debris	1	3
511					
512					
513		102	misc car parts	1	3
514					
515					
516		104	debris	1	3
517					

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	A	B	C	D	E
518				Crime Scene	1B
519		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
520		105	debris	1	3
521					
522					
523		106	blue carpet	2	4
524					
525					
526		107	debris	2	4
527					
528					
529		108	debris	2	4
530					
531					
532		109	misc car parts	2	4
533					
534					
535		110	nail & debris	2	4
536					
537					
538		111	fragment of metal	2	4
539					
540					
541		112	debris	2	4
542					
543					
544		113	debris	2	4
545					
546					
547		114	debris	2	4
548					
549					
550		115	fragments of paper	2	4
551					
552					
553		116	misc car parts	2	4
554					
555					
556		117	debris	2	4
557					
558					
559		118	business card, receipt	2	4
560			& paper tab	2	4
561					
562					
563		119	debris	2	4
564			fragment & debris	2	4

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	A	B	C	D	E
565				Crime Scene	1B
566		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
567		123	fragments of blue porcelain	2	4
568					
569					
570		124	debris	2	4
571					
572					
573		126	blue carpet	2	4
574					
575					
576		127	debris	2	4
577					
578					
579		128	misc pieces of car	2	4
580					
581					
582		129	misc pieces of metal	2	4
583					
584					
585		130	left Birkenstock shoe	2	4
586					
587					
588		131	misc pieces of fabric	2	4
589					
590					
591		132	pipe fragment & cloth	2	4
592					
593					
594		133	misc items	2	4
595					
596					
597		134	clock back	2	4
598					
599					
600		136	vacuumed debris from car	misc 4	14
601					
602					
603		137	sweepings from tarp	misc 5	13
604					
605					
606		144	debris (rear seat cushion A)	sub f	13
607					
608					
609		146	metal fragment	9	
610					
611					

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612				Crime Scene	1B
613		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
614		149	piece of gray duct tape	9	6
615			& fiberboard		
616					
617					
618		151	wood fragment	9	6
619					
620					
621		153	debris	9	6
622					
623					
624		154	car, seat fragment &	9	6
625			towel fragment		
626					
627					
628		155	wood fragment & debris	9	6
629					
630					
631		156	black plastic fragment	9	6
632					
633					
634		157	debris	9	6
635					
636					
637		159	speaker fragment	9	6
638					
639					
640		160	tape fragment	9	6
641					
642					
643		161	debris	9	6
644					
645					
646		162	metal fragment	9	6
647					
648					
649		164	wood fragment	9	6
650					
651					
652		165	debris	9	6
653					
654					
655		167	metal fragment	9	6
656					
657					
658		170	debris	9	6

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659				Crime Scene	1B
660		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
661		171	metal fragments	9	6
662					
663					
664		173	nails & debris	9	6
665					
666					
667		175	debris	9	6
668					
669					
670		176	metal fragment	9	6
671					
672					
673		177	debris	9	6
674					
675					
676		180	gray dect tape	9	6
677					
678					
679		182	debris	9	6
680					
681					
682		183	debris	9	6
683					
684					
685		185	partial matchpack	9	6
686					
687					
688		186	debris	9	6
689					
690					
691		187	metal fragment	9	6
692					
693					
694		188	wood fragment	9	6
695					
696					
697		190	debris	9	6
698					
699					
700		192	wood fragments	9	6
701					
702					
703		194	metal latch	9	6
704					
705					

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	A	B	C	D	E
706				Crime Scene	1B
707		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
708		195	metal item	9	6
709					
710					
711		198	wood fragment	9	6
712					
713					
714		200	fiberboard fragment	9	6
715					
716					
717		205	wood fragment	9	6
718					
719					
720		206	metal latch	9	6
721					
722					
723		207	pipe fragment	9	6
724					
725					
726		210	wood fragments	9	6
727					
728					
729		211	debris	9	6
730					
731					
732		213	metal piece	9	6
733					
734					
735		214	debris	9	6
736					
737					
738		215	debris	9	6
739					
740					
741		216	wire	9	6
742					
743					
744		217	debris	9	6
745					
746					
747		219	wood fragment	9	6
748					
749					
750		220	wood fragment	9	6
751					
752					

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753				Crime Scene	1B
754		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
755		221	debris	9	6
756					
757					
758		223	wood debris	9	6
759					
760					
761		224	pipe fragments & debris	9	6
762					
763					
764		226	car parts	10	22
766					
767					
768		227	plastic fragment	10	22
769					
770					
771		228	metal item	10	22
772					
773					
774		229	car parts	10	22
775					
776					
777		230	natal washer	10	22
778					
779					
780		231	debris	10	22
781					
782					
783		232	debris	10	22
784					
785					
786		233	debris	10	22
787					
788					
789		234	metal fragment & debris	10	22
790					
791					
792		235	wire & black plastic tape	10	22
793					
794					
795		236	radiator cap	10	22
796					
797					
798		237	debris	10	22
799					
800					

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801				Crime Scene	1B
802	Q#		Description	Evidence Box	Origion
803	238	debris		10	22
804					
805					
806	239	grey duct tape & debris		10	22
807					
808					
809	241	yellow foam material		10	22
810					
811					
812	242	fiberglass & yellow foam		10	22
813		material			
814					
815					
816	243	grey duct tape		10	22
817					
818					
819	244	solderless connector		10	22
820					
821					
822	245	key		10	22
823					
824					
825	246	metal cap & gray plastic		10	22
826					
827					
828	247	wood fragment		10	22
829					
830					
831	248	debris		10	22
832					
833					
834	249	debris		10	22
835					
836					
837	251	debris		10	22
838					
839					
840	252	debris		10	22
841					
842					
843	254	camouflage hat & debris		10	22
844					
845					
846	255	misc debris		10	22
847					

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	A	B	C	D	E
848				Crime Scene	1B
849	Q#		Description	Evidence Box	Origin
850		256	debris	10	22
851					
852					
853		257	end cap & metal fragment	10	22
854					
855					
856		259	grey duct tape & debris	10	22
857					
858					
859		263	blue procelain fragment	10	22
860					
861					
862		264	speaker fragment	10	22
863					
864					
865		265	"Earth First" matchbook	10	22
866					
867					
868		282	black plasitic item	10	22
869					
870					
871		283	metal fragment	10	22
872					
873					
874		284	misc car parts	10	22
875					
876					
877		285	blue fabric	10	22
878					
879					
880		287	metal fragments	10	22
881					
882					
883		288	debris	10	22
884					
885					
886		289	seat cover fragment	10	22
887					
888					
889		290	metal fragment	10	22
890					
891					
892		291	black plastic item	10	22
893					
894					

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	A	B	C	D	E
895				Crime Scene	1B
896	Q#		Description	Evidence Box	Origion
897	293	blue fabric		10	22
898					
899					
900	294	blue fabric		10	22
901					
902					
903	295	white plastic item		10	22
904					
905					
906	296	debris		10	22
907					
908					
909	298	blue fabric		10	22
910					
911					
912	300	blue fabric		10	22
913					
914					
915	302	metal fragment		10	22
916					
917					
918	303	metal fragment		10	22
919					
920					
921	305	debris		10	22
922					
923					
924	306	metal fragment		10	22
925					
926					
927	307	metal fragment		10	22
928					
929					
930	308	metal fragment		10	22
931					
932					
933	310	camouflage hat		10	22
934					
935					
936	311	wood fragment		10	22
937					
938					
939	312	metal & paper fragments		10	22
940					
941					

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	A	B	C	D	E
942				Crime Scene	1B
943		Q#	Description	Evidence Box	Origion
944		313	end cap fragment	10	22
945					
946					
947		315	metal fragment	10	22
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As hundreds of idealists, at the invitation of Earth First!, stream toward the Redwood Empire to non-violently protest the destruction of old-growth timber, loggers with guns and cops braced for the worst await them.



An altered sign speaks volumes about the concerns of environmental activists.

Tempers could flare as summer of protests over forests heats up



Eugene Louis — Mercury News

An Earth First! rally on the steps of the courthouse in Ukiah last week kicks off Redwood Summer

'If they stand in my way . . . there's going to be violence'

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

WHITE THORN — Terri and Mark Wright didn't hesitate when they heard the call for "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods." They quit their jobs in Texas, piled their dog Max into a pickup and headed West.

Like the freedom riders before

them who rushed to the South in the 1960s to fight for civil rights, the Wrights have come to Northern California to fight for the forests.

They are among the first outsiders to arrive for what the radical environmentalist group Earth First! has said will be a non-violent summer of civil disobedience to save the old-growth forests.

But practically everyone in the Redwood Empire is braced for the worst.

Already, some loggers are carrying guns. Law enforcement officials are threatening to call in the National Guard if needed. And politicians are predicting chaos if even half of the 1,000 or more college students who are expected to arrive in the next few

weeks descend on Humboldt and Mendocino counties.

"In one afternoon, I had calls from New York, Hollywood and Oregon," said Betty Ball, coordinator of the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah. "It's my sense that they'll be coming from everywhere. After all the work that's been done on the rain

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Redwood Empire residents open homes to activists

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forests, people are finally realizing that it's happening here, too."

The planned protests come at a time when tensions between lumber companies and environmentalists are at their highest in decades.

Three forest initiatives — two backed by environmentalists and the other by the timber industry — will be on the November ballot. And the industry remains under fire for stepping up exports and accelerating cutting of forests, including 1,000-year-old redwoods and Douglas firs.

Recently released figures from the state, for example, reveal that lumber companies in Mendocino County last year logged at a rate that was 320 percent greater than replanted forests were growing.

'A logging frenzy'

"We expect that to rise to 400 percent this year as a result of what some call 'a logging frenzy,' a logging boom so great that loggers and truck drivers are coming from as far away as Idaho and Colorado to meet the demand," said Gail Lucas, head of the Sierra Club's State Forest Practices Task Force and a resident of Mendocino County.

Pressures have been mounting for years, but escalated into violence last summer when environmentalists stepped up their activism.

In June, Earth First! organizer Greg King was punched and knocked to the ground during a demonstration at a Louisiana-Pacific mill north of Ukiah. In August, a logger slugged activist Mem Hill, breaking her nose. A few days later, a logging truck rammed into the back of Earth First! spokeswoman Judi Bari's car, with her two young daughters and another activist's children inside.

Insufficient evidence

Authorities said there was insufficient evidence in two of the incidents to warrant prosecution. A man later pleaded guilty to slugging King.

"That's what we were facing before we called for Mississippi Summer in the Redwoods," said Bari of Earth First!, who said she has received several death threats in recent months.

Since its founding in 1980, Earth First! has advocated sabotaging logging equipment and driving long metal spikes into trees to scare away loggers. Members call themselves eco-warriors. Critics call them terrorists.

In sounding the nationwide call for Redwood Summer, Earth First! members on the North Coast have

pledged to give up those tactics. Instead, they say they have focused on ways to keep the summer calm.

In packets of information sent to 450 colleges around the country, they have warned students not to bring dogs, weapons, drugs or alcohol. Those who come can expect "things like tree-sitting, tree hugging, log road blockading, banner hanging and picketing," according to Redwood Summer packets. And while some actions "may involve mass arrests, like a group of people sitting down in a road and refusing to move," students also will be needed for stream restoration and other rehabilitation projects in the heavily logged forests, the packets say.

All participants will be given non-violence training and must agree to a code that prohibits damaging property or people, spokesmen said.

As word has gotten out, residents from Ukiah all the way up the coast to Crescent City in Del Norte County have offered to open their homes to forest freedom riders. A base camp will open in about two weeks, when many students get out of class for the summer. There will even be protest songs to learn and sing.

A tape written mainly by Earth First! troubadour Darryl Cherney called "They Sure Don't Make Hippies Like They Used To" includes such songs as "You Can't Clearcut Your Way to Heaven," "Knocking on Extinctions Door" and "Spike A Tree For Jesus." Although Earth First! has been accused of spiking trees around the country to thwart logging, the group said spiking will not be condoned during "Redwood Summer."

As proof of their peaceful intent, Earth First! members point to the endorsement of their plans by San Francisco-based Seeds of Peace and Brian Willson of the Center for the Practice of Non-violence. Willson, a Vietnam War veteran, lost his legs in 1967 when he was run over by a train at the Concord Naval Weapons Station during a blockade to protest the war in El Salvador.

'Lynch mob mentality'

"He's done what we're going to do — put his body on the line in a non-violent blockade," said Bari of Earth First! "There's this lynch mob mentality being whipped up. We need to let them know this is not just Earth First!"

But so far, mainstream environmental groups have not endorsed "Redwood Summer."

Lucas, head of the Sierra Club's State Forest Practices Task Force, issued a statement last month saying that the Sierra Club did not



support the idea because of its potential for violence. A week later, leaders of the club's Redwood Chapter denounced her stance, saying they "respect and appreciate our Earth First! friends and what they are trying to accomplish."

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"They aren't coming here to get into a battle or a war with the timber industry," said Rondal Snodgrass, a civil rights activist in Mississippi in 1964 who now serves as executive director of Sanctuary Forest, a non-profit land trust.

"They're coming because they want to help. I got one call from a Catholic college and another from an Episcopal minister, who said several people are interested in coming."

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Others have made similar comments, although privately, some loggers say they support what the environmentalists are trying to do: slow down the harvesting.

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woods," said one logger who asked that his name not be used to protect his job. "A lot of people are really concerned if there will be any jobs in five or 10 years at the rate the companies are cutting. Everybody feels that way, but they're afraid to say it or they'll lose their jobs tomorrow."

Law enforcement officials are more worried about this summer — not tomorrow.

Actions surrounding Earth Day last month don't make them feel any better. Some time in the night or early morning of April 22-23, activists sabotaged PG&E transmission lines in Santa Cruz County. The previously unknown Earth Night Action Group claimed responsibility for the action and threatened further sabotage against "corporate earth enemies."

Numerous Earth First! spokesmen said their group was not involved and will not take similar action on the North coast.

"We're just hoping and praying we don't get all these college kids," said Fortuna Police Chief Lee Evenson.

For the past month, police and sheriff's deputies in the Redwood Empire have been meeting to discuss how they will control the crowds and keep the peace at the mass protests that are expected.

"There's lots of potential for violence due to the protesters' mindset and their dedication for their cause and the fact that the loggers depend on their livelihood in logging," said Lt. Jay Miller, spokes-



man for the Mendocino County Sheriff's Department.

"Our concern is that a lot of these people wouldn't recognize a redwood if they saw one, but they plan to come here and go out into the woods. We're hoping there will be no injuries or loss of life. ... Hopefully they won't end up in somebody's marijuana field and get their heads shot off."

Terri and Mark Wright from

Earth First! activist Marc Labelle, above left, Jessica Bari and Earth First! spokeswoman Judi Bari protest an asphalt plant built in a residential area of Ukiah. Terri and Mark Wright, left, who drove out from Austin, Texas, to join the Redwood Summer, sit outside their cabin in the woods with their dog Max.

Texas said they "knew the hazards" when they quit their jobs as a landscape foreman and clerk at a drug and rehabilitation clinic in Austin and came to California a month ago. They say saving the redwoods is worth the risk.

"We saw some pictures of clear-cutting and some pictures of a pristine forest," Mark Wright said. "I put them beside each other and it blew me away. We just want to help in any way we can."

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2 Earth First! Members Hurt By Bomb in Car

**Radicals reportedly
suspected in Oakland blast**

*By Michael Taylor and
Elliot Dirlinger
Chronicle Staff Writers*

Two leaders of the militant environmental group Earth First! were injured yesterday when a pipe bomb ripped through their car in Oakland, and an Earth First! organizer said police told her the two will be booked on charges of transporting explosives.

Police acknowledged that Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, both of Mendocino County, were being detained, but declined to comment on whether they would be booked on any charges.

Bari, who was driving her white, four-door Subaru station wagon, was listed in serious condition with a broken pelvis and internal injuries at Highland Hospital. Cherney was released in good condition with facial cuts.

Oakland police, who were investigating the bombing with the FBI and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said Bari and Cherney were being detained, she at the hospital and he at police headquarters.

Earth First! organizer Karen Pickett said she was detained yesterday by police, who told her that the two will be booked on charges of transporting and possessing explosives.

They said they feel they have

enough evidence to pursue those charges," Pickett told radio station KCBS.

Police and FBI agents searched the Oakland house where Bari spent the previous night and detained a member of the household for eight hours yesterday, said the household member. He declined to give his name but said he belongs to Seeds of Peace, a collective that is working with Earth First! to organize "Redwood Summer," a series of nonviolent anti-logging protests expected to draw thousands of demonstrators to the North Coast in coming weeks.

Authorities last night searched a van belonging to Seeds of Peace in the 3200 block of California Street and were seeking a search warrant for a Seeds of Peace house where Bari and Cherney had met Wednesday night. An unconfirmed report said that a detonator had been found in the van.

At least half a dozen people affiliated with the two groups were detained and questioned by police yesterday, an Earth First! organizer said.

Police last night declined to provide further information, saying they will discuss the case further after 9 a.m. today.

Group Protest:

About 50 Earth First! supporters were gathered at Oakland police headquarters last night and vowed to hold an all-night vigil to protest police detention of Cherney. Oakland attorney Merv Cherin said police refused to allow attorneys to meet with Cherney, and that a judge's order had to be obtained last night to compel police to allow a meeting.

Earth First! organizers strongly denied that the two knowingly carried the bomb and reported that the pair, two of the group's key organizers, had received several death threats in recent weeks.

Bari and Cherney were in the Bay Area staging slide shows and concerts to drum up support for

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Redwood Summer and were on their way to the University of California at Santa Cruz when the bomb exploded.

An Oakland Fire Department lieutenant said Bari was injured by what appeared to be a pipe bomb that had been placed under the driver's seat.

Associates of Bari and Cherney discounted the possibility that their friends had been carrying explosives in their car. Police searched another car, which was following Bari's vehicle and carrying some of her friends, but found no bomb in that vehicle.

"Certainly it was planted," said Daniel Barron, an Earth First! organizer from San Francisco. "If it wasn't the FBI, it could have been somebody paid by the timber industry."

A Big Boom

The bomb exploded shortly before noon, as Bari's car turned from 34th Street onto Park Boulevard, a few yards from the baseball field at Oakland High School.

"It just blew up. Boom!" said Bob Vandermeer, 44, of San Rafael, who was driving nearby. Vandermeer said he immediately called the police emergency number from his truck's telephone. He said the force of the blast "turned the car parts into shrapnel."

Another witness, Ken Rich, 40, said that when the dust settled, he heard Cherney screaming. "Help me! Help me!" Rich said that although he is trained in first aid, the car "was so mangled, I felt it was better to let the paramedics treat the victims."

Police cordoned off the area and brought in the Alameda County bomb disposal unit.

Group's Tactics

Although Earth First! has advocated controversial and sometimes life-threatening tactics to stop logging, mining and real estate development, both Bari and Cherney repeatedly have described Redwood Summer as a series of non-violent protests.

During an interview on Art Finley's "Nightbeat" KCBS radio talk show on Tuesday, Bari said she has exacted pledges of nonviolence from all the volunteer workers for Redwood Summer.

With tension between environmentalists and loggers increasing as Redwood Summer nears, Bari, Cherney and other Earth First! organizers say they have received anonymous death threats.

Barron said about a dozen people had received death letters similar to one sent to him saying, "We have distributed your phone number to every organized hate group that could possibly have hostile tendencies toward ilk of your kind. We know who you are, where you live and continue to hone in on you. . . . We will specifically hunt down each and every member." It was signed, "Committee for the Death of Earth First!"

Betty Ball, who heads the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah, said the threats — including a picture of Bari with the cross-hairs of a rifle sight drawn across her face — were reported to Mendocino County authorities, who declined to investigate.

Earlier Incident

Ball said the county Sheriff's Department also refused to follow up on an incident last August in which Bari's car, carrying several people to an anti-logging demonstration in Fort Bragg, was rammed from behind by a logging truck.

Detective Rich Shipley of the Mendocino sheriff's office in Ukiah said he was not aware of the death threats, and other sheriff's officials were not available to comment.

Annie Sawtetz of the Radical Action Network in San Francisco, which is supporting Redwood Summer, said she believes

that the explosion was a deliberate attempt to dissuade people from participating in the protest.

She said that in this happening, "it's the same thing that happened in Mississippi in '64 to keep people from doing what needs to be done through nonviolent change."

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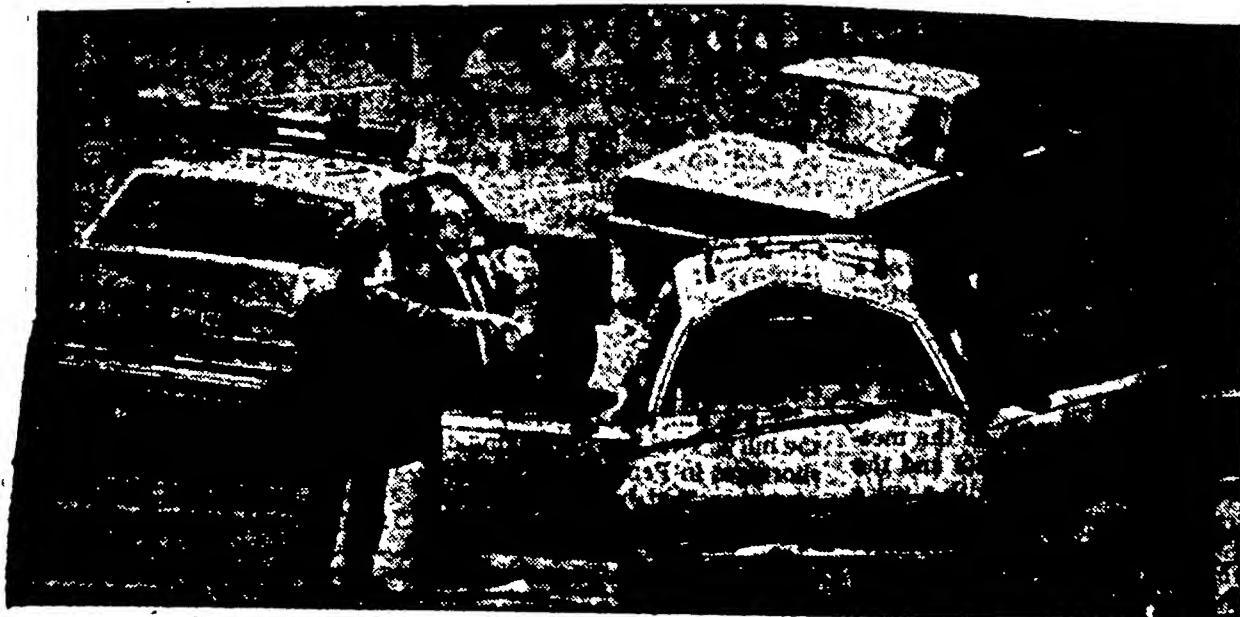
Chronicle staff writer Sharon McCormick and Chronicle correspondent Debra Lett-Holtz also contributed to this report.



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JUDI BARI

She suffered a broken pelvis



Investigators discussed damage to the Subaru station wagon in which the blast occurred. ...

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EARTH FIRST! PEOPLE INJURED; CAR DESTROYED

Pipe bomb blast

Police question radical group's members

by Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
of Tribune

Two members of the radical Earth First! environmental group were injured yesterday after a pipe bomb exploded in their car in front of Oakland High School, authorities said.

The pair, Judi Bari, 40, and Barry Cherney, 33, both of the Berkeley area, were in the car on the way to a meeting with other activists planning a protest against timber companies in northern California when the explosion occurred at about 11:30 a.m., police said.

Police said last night the pair was being detained for questioning, but they declined further comment, saying the investigation is continuing.

However, representatives of Earth First! said that police had told them the pair would be arrested for transporting explosive materials, but no one had been booked in the case as of last night.

About 25 members of the group were in the lobby of the police department last night, sitting in a circle and singing protest songs.

The Earth First! group is a militant organization that has spearheaded demonstrations against lumber companies, nuclear power plants, oil refineries and other targets in California, Nevada and other Western states.

Yesterday's explosion blew out some of the windows of the car Bari and Cherney were driving, leaving a 100-foot-long trail of debris on Park Boulevard. The blast caused a huge traffic jam, forced the rerouting of buses and prompted school officials to keep students at the high school for several hours while the bomb squad made sure the area was safe.

Bari suffered a broken pelvis and facial injuries from the 11:30 a.m. explosion, and Cherney an eye injury. Both were admitted to Highland General Hos-

pital. Bari was in stable condition and under police guard at the hospital, while Cherney was at the Oakland police department after being treated at the hospital.

Last night police searched a house on California Street in Berkeley where Bari and Cherney met other activists Wednesday night. Members of the "Seeds of Peace" group, which had planned to provide food during the summer demonstrations, lived at the house.

Several people at the house were taken to the Oakland Police Department, questioned and then released.

One of the occupants said when he and others were leaving the house, officers with guns drawn ordered them up against a wall and handcuffed them.

"We asked what's going on and they said, 'We can't tell you,'" the man said.

Police also interviewed and released the occupants of two other cars that were traveling with Bari and Cherney yesterday.

One of those people said,

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"They were questioning me on the assumption I was the member of some terrorist gang."

"Neither I or Judy or anyone involved with Earth First! had anything to do with explosives," the man said.

Besides Oakland police, agents with the FBI's anti-terrorism squad and the U.S. Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms Bureau are investigating the case.

People who knew Bari and Cherney insisted they were non-violent and were themselves the targets of numerous death threats in recent months.

"He's very intense, but definitely non-violent," said a Garberville man who knew Cherney. "He's had plenty of threats against him."

Karen Pickett, a spokeswoman for Earth First!, said the possibility that Bari and Cherney would be arrested was "absolutely ludicrous. Somebody tried to kill them today."

Speaking at an impromptu press conference at the Oakland Police Department last night, Pickett said the "Redwood Summer" protest they were organizing against logging operations in Northern California was to be non-violent.

"Judy and Daryl are putting all their time in saving the planet — that's their lives," she said.

Police agencies in California and Nevada, however, suspect the Earth First! group has been involved in a spate of violent attacks against organizations accused of despoiling the environment, law enforcement officials said.

Included was last month's sabotage of Pacific Gas and Electric Co. utility towers in Santa Cruz that knocked out power for thousands of people there. A group calling itself Earth Night Action Group, suspected of being linked to members of Earth First!, claimed responsibility for those bombings.

But Stephen Dunifer of Earth Action Network, another direct-action environmental group, alleged that the Santa Cruz incident and the Oakland bombing

were attempts by the FBI or other agencies to discredit Earth First! and other environmental groups.

Use of explosives "is totally out of context for Earth First! None of their actions ever involved things of that type," he said.

Most recently Earth First! has spearheaded protests against timber companies in Humboldt and Mendocino counties that led to charges from both sides of threats of violence.

Cherney was arrested last month when he participated in a non-violent protest at the Golden Gate Bridge in which Earth First! activists climbed the bridge's cables.

Yesterday's bomb explosion occurred as Cherney and Bari were driving in a Subaru wagon in the northbound lanes of Park Boulevard. The blast hit as they were passing East 34th Street, less than a block from MacArthur Boulevard.

Authorities said had the explosion occurred 40 minutes later scores of Oakland High School's 1,600 students who cross the street to go to nearby stores and restaurants for lunch might also have been injured.

"The kids have been wonderful. We heard the explosion, and the PE classes just kept doing what they were doing. The kids were still running their laps and still playing baseball," Principal Joanne Grimm said. "City kids are used to noise, I guess."

Bob Vandermeer, president of a San Rafael demolition company, said he was in his truck just in front of the Subaru when the explosion happened.

"It scared the hell out of me," said Vandermeer, who called emergency personnel from his car phone. "It was the loudest noise I've ever heard and there was stuff falling all over the place."

Ken Rich, of San Leandro, was driving eastbound on MacArthur Boulevard when "all of a sudden I heard the explosion and saw huge billows of gray and white smoke. The noise was deafening."

Sokhi Dosanjh, who works at a mini-mart just a few yards from where the car exploded, said the

smoke was so thick "you couldn't see anything for awhile," including the MacArthur Freeway a few blocks away.

After the explosion, the mangled Subaru weaved into the southbound lanes of Park Boulevard where it collided with another car before finally coming to a stop at a MacArthur Boulevard bus stop area right outside the school's athletic field.

The driver of the second car hit an unidentified woman, who reportedly suffered a heart attack.

Both Rich and Vandermeer rushed to the Subaru where the moans and cries for help of both occupants could be heard.

Vandermeer said the driver "was hurting very badly. She was completely out of it. The guy, the whole left side of his face and arm were torn up."

Police said Bari and Cherney were traveling behind a Toyota automobile with Tennessee license plates, that also was going to the Berkeley meeting. The driver of that car was questioned by police and released.

A Ford automobile that also was part of the group arrived several minutes later. Its occupants were questioned and released.

That car is co-owned by an Oakland couple with whom Bari had spent Wednesday night, according to police sources.

Fearful that the other two cars might also contain explosives, police blocked off all streets in the area until the Alameda County bomb squad arrived.

Students at the high school were not allowed on the athletic field or permitted to leave the campus during lunch while the area was cordoned off.

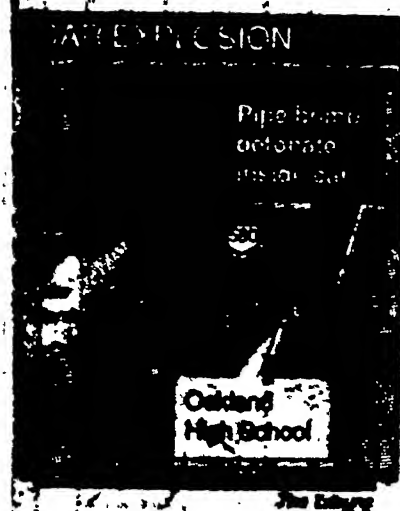
No other explosives were found and by 4 p.m. the cars had been towed and the streets reopened.

Tribune writers Robert J. Lopez and Judy Ronningen contributed to this report.



Ice investigators look over debris of a vehicle on Park Boulevard where a bomb exploded.

By The Associated Press



The Bay Area

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Injured activists are organizers of summerlong protests

By Judy Ronningen
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune

Two radical Earth First! environmentalists hurt in a bomb explosion yesterday are the major organizers of a planned summerlong anti-logging effort that already is raising tensions in California's North Coast timber country.

Friends of Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney said death threats against them had intensified as the couple planned the "Redwood Summer," inviting hundreds of environmentalists to the forest for sit-ins and civil disobedience.

Earth First! members say they were planning a non-violent summer. They already have decided to stop driving spikes into redwood trees, a tactic that chews up chain saws but also jeopardizes loggers.

But law enforcement officials suspect the group may be linked to violent attacks on logging companies, utilities and cattle ranches.

And while most of the protests along the North Coast have been non-violent, police

have heard wild rumors that Earth First! or some radical splinter group plans to tie bombs in the trees this summer.

Yesterday's bomb blast only intensifies worries about a long, hot summer in the redwoods.

"At this point we just hope nobody gets hurt," says Joanne Wilson, chamber of commerce manager in Garberville, where the issue has split the community.

"On the streets here you see cars with green ribbons and yellow ribbons and blue ribbons," she says. "The yellow are for

loggers and the green for environmentalists. The blue are people who say, 'You guys ought to get together and talk.'"

There are not many cars with blue ribbons.

At Louisiana-Pacific Lumber in Eureka, spokesman Shepard Tucker says timber people also are getting threats. A pipe bomb exploded two weeks ago at L-P's Cloverdale mill.

"This event today (in Oakland) truly bothers me personally because I've been threatened, I've been harassed out there just like everybody in the industry — just like the Earth Firsters," he said.

The planned summer of demonstrations "scares a lot of people," he said. "We tell our people to turn the other cheek, to be reasonable and neutral. But on both sides there's a radical fringe and you don't know what's going to happen."

"It's nuts."

Earth First! radicals have made plenty of enemies in timber country here by disabling bulldozers, chaining themselves to logs and spiking trees.

But friends of Bari and Cherney said both are non-violent. In fact, Bari is a strong advocate against spiking trees and eventually convinced others to back away from that tactic last month, said Earth First! East-bay spokeswoman Kelpie Wilson.

Bari told friends that a logger had rammed her car about six weeks ago. Then she received a letter that said in part, "We know all about you. Go back where you came from. This is the only warning you'll get," according to Robert Sutherland of the Environmental Protection Information Center in Garberville.

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The letter included a recent newspaper photo of Bari with a circle and rifle cross-hairs drawn on it, he said.

Ukiah police said they tried to investigate a threatening letter Bari received, but they had to put the case on hold after she refused to cooperate with authorities or give them the letter.

Cherney is a folk singer who

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Judi Bari
Opposes spiking trees

pens songs like, "Where Are We Going to Work When the Trees are Gone?" Sutherland said.

"I can tell you for absolute certain, he would not be involved in violence," Sutherland said. "If there was a bomb, it was planted there."

Besides the battle with timber interests, Earth First! activists also have taken on utility companies, oil refineries and cattle ranches in a variety of protests:

- In May 1987, the group uprooted plants treated with a genetically engineered virus in Northern California.

- In October 1987, the group demonstrated at the state resources building in Sacramento to demand that officials remove grazing cattle from Mount Diablo State Park.

- In January 1989, a caller saying he was with Earth First! claimed responsibility for a fire



Darryl Cherney
Received death threats

at a livestock auction warehouse in Dixon.

- In May 1989, Earth First! blockaded the entrance to Exxon USA's Benicia refinery.

- Last April, 13 Earth First! activists, including Cherney, were arrested in an environmental protest in which they climbed the cables of the Golden Gate Bridge.

The tactics of Earth First! also have included sabotage and vandalism, which members of the group call "ecotage" or "monkey wrenching," named after the 1975 novel "The Monkey Wrench Gang."

FBI officials said the acts of vandalism have included plotting to destroy such things as electrical power lines and ski chair lifts.

— *Tribune writers Harry Harris and Robert Lopez contributed to this report.*

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Earth First! friends insist victims can't be suspects

By Eric Brazil
and Jane Kay
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Shocked organizers of the Redwood Summer anti-logging protests contended Friday that two of their best-known leaders could not have known about the bomb that blew up their car, injured both and put them under arrest as suspects.

They said the blast Thursday in Oakland came after numerous threats aimed at the victims — Judi Bari, 40, of Mendocino County, and Darryl Cherney, 33, of Piercy, near Laytonville in Mendocino County. Both have denied knowledge of the pipe bomb on the floor of Bari's station wagon.

"Why aren't the Oakland police and FBI investigating these threats?" said Karen Pickett. She was spokeswoman for about two dozen Earth First! supporters in a campout vigil just outside police headquarters at Seventh Street and Broadway in Oakland. "To charge them is preposterous."

Similar accusations were voiced at a noon rally for the two suspects outside the Mendocino County courthouse in Ukiah.

Equally vehement, however, were the head of a loggers' union and executives of timber-cutting firms. All denied any connection between the logging industry and the bomb on the floor of Bari's station wagon.

Redwood Summer is a 26th anniversary of the Mississippi Summer for civil rights activists in the Deep South. It's intended to bring pressure on the logging industry to quit what protesters consider exploitation of the nation's forests.

In Branscombe, a logging town near Ukiah, general manager Art

Harwood of the Harwood Lumber Co. said, "It's really the loggers that are going to be the brunt of what's happening here."

He said he met twice with Bari to talk about Redwood Summer.

"It's still going to happen," he said. "They've got 60 organizers, and I think they're going to keep it going."

John A. Campbell, president of Pacific Lumber, also a target of Earth First! protests, said he deplores violence, "be it spiking trees, blowing up power lines or bombing cars."

He said his company hopes "Ms. Bari and Mr. Cherney fully recover from the injuries they received in this appalling incident."

Ukiah police said Thursday night that the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah, where Bari worked, reported receiving phone threats and said they sent additional patrols to the neighborhood around the center.

Last August, Bari's station wagon was allegedly rammed by a logging truck owned by Redwood Coast Trucking. Bari, another Earth First! activist and Bari's two children were in the car.

Bari also said she received a letter postmarked April 10 that read: "Judi Bari: Get out and go back to where you came from. We know every thing. YOU WON'T GET A SECOND WARNING."

Three weeks ago, Bari said she found a photocopy of a newspaper photograph of her playing the fiddle — with a gun sight's cross hairs drawn on her head — pinned to the door of the environmental center.

Betty Ball, a Ukiah environmentalist who said she accompanied Bari in reporting the threats to the Mendocino County sheriff's office, quoted the officer who took their report as saying: "We don't

have the manpower to investigate death threats like this. If you turn up dead, we'll investigate."

Mendocino sheriff's Capt. Eugene Lensing confirmed Bari reported the threats.

Base camp near Garberville

Earth First! co-founder David Foreman, in an interview with The Examiner last Saturday, said Bari had been calling him for the last month "about threats she has received." He described her as "very frightened."

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Bari also discussed the threats on a KCBS radio talk show Tuesday night.

Agents also searched a Berkeley home inhabited by a half-dozen people who belong to the Seeds of Peace environmental group. Bari and Cherney had visited the group at its California Street house Wednesday night, discussing plans for this summer's anti-logging protests.

Police cordoned off streets around the house during the search. Several people were taken to Oakland police headquarters for questioning and later released.

"It's obvious we're being targeted," said Lisa Pasbjerg, 24, of Seeds of Peace.

Cherney, in an interview with The Examiner on Wednesday, said the Seeds of Peace house would serve as local headquarters for the timber action.

Outside the Oakland police station, Pickett cried "absolutely outrageous" when she heard that Bari and Cherney were to be booked for investigation.

She called for an investigation of Oakland police.

Demonstrator Mark Huntington said, "The No. 1 suspect is the timber corporate interests who see them as threats to their profits."

In Fort Bragg, business agent Don Nelson of International Woodworkers of America said: "The bombing is a tragedy, but I

don't think any logger had anything to do with this. It's not the kind of thing a logger would do. If he were angry with them, he might punch them, but he wouldn't do this."

The Earth First! people had been hostile and confrontational in their meetings with the union, he said.

Examiner reporters Eric Brazil, in Mendocino County, and Don Martinez, in Oakland, were joined by Jane Kay and Lynn Ludlow of The Examiner staff as contributors to this report.

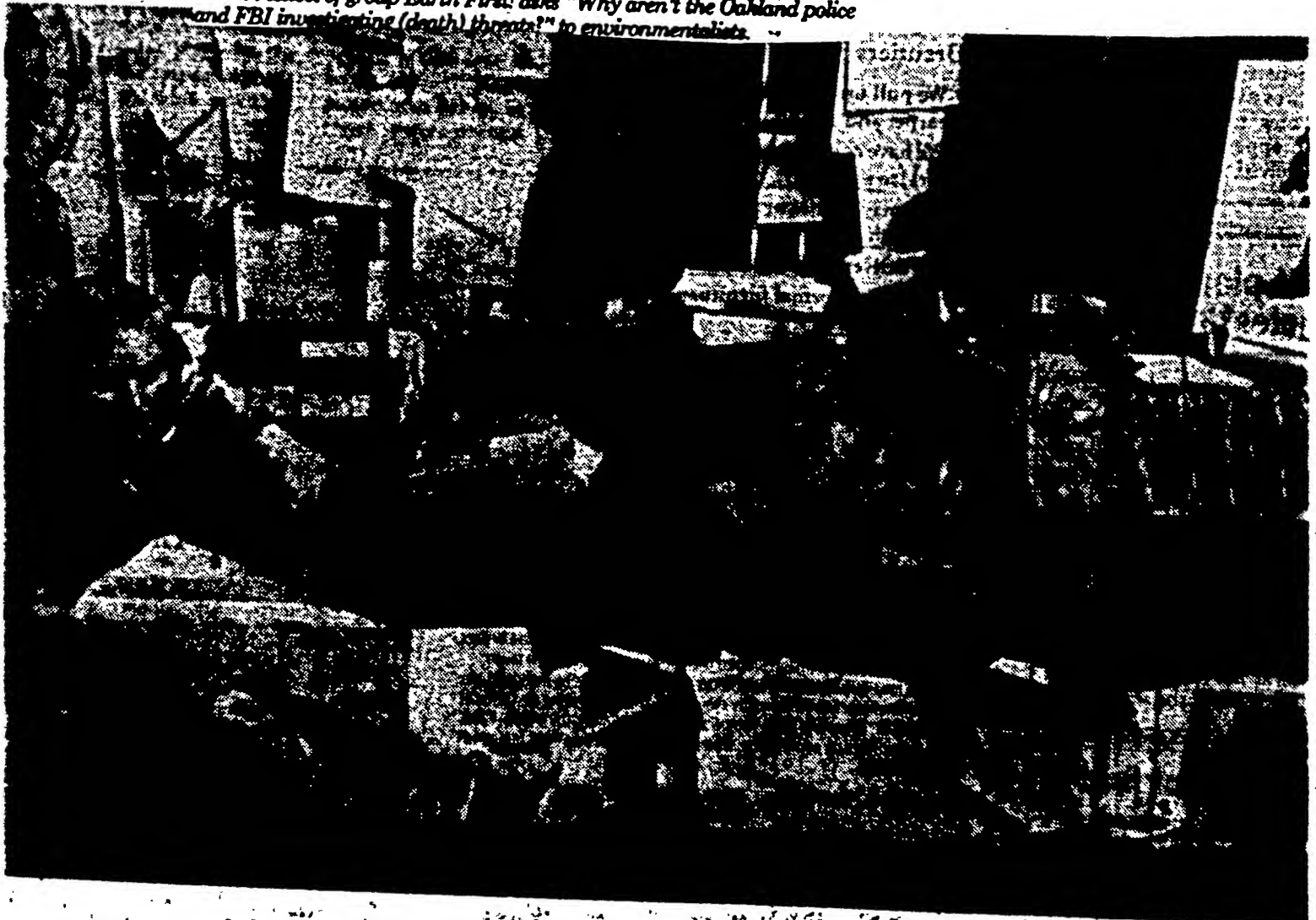


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Earth First! activists gather outside the Oakland police station after a bomb went off in the city, injuring two of their best-known members.



Karen Pickett of group Earth First! asks "Why aren't the Oakland police and FBI investigating (death) threats?" to environmentalists. EDAMBER/CRAIG LEE



Bill, left, and woman identifying herself as Sequoia field calls late Thursday night at Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah. EDAMBER/KIM KOLB

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CHARGES OUTRAGE EARTH FIRST! ACTIVISTS 2 car-bomb victims arrested

Police accuse pair
after blast injures
them in Oakland;
allies call them
'avowed pacifists'

By Lance Williams
and Andy Furillo
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

OAKLAND — Police disregarded denials Friday and arrested two militant environmentalists as suspects in transporting the bomb that unexpectedly blew up in their car.

Both victims have denied any knowledge of the pipe bomb, which investigators described as a crude device with a safety pin that was supposed to keep it from exploding accidentally.

Seriously injured just before noon Thursday with a broken pelvis and other injuries was Judi Bari, 40, of Garberville in Mendocino County, a veteran organizer with Earth First! who was planning a Redwoods Summer of protests against the timber industry.

Police said she was owner and driver of the station wagon that was destroyed by the pipe bomb just before noon Thursday in Oakland. They planned to book her at Highland Hospital.

Left with a broken wrist and facial cuts was her passenger and fellow organizer, Darryl Cherney, 33, of Piercy, Mendocino County. He was booked into Oakland City Jail at about 3 a.m. Friday.

Allies of the activists expressed rage at the charges, calling Bari and Cherney avowed pacifists.

"I don't believe it," said Mark Huntington, a friend of the pair and an Earth First! supporter. "If the police produced evidence and put it on TV, I still wouldn't believe it. I think they planted it ... The FBI has a lot of reasons to get rid of Darryl and Judi and shut down Redwood Summer."

FBI agents and sheriff's deputies searched Cherney's home Friday after looking Thursday through the home near Ukiah of her ex-husband.

The car exploded at 11:53 a.m. Thursday at the intersection of East 34th Street and Park Boulevard, next to Oakland High School.

Outside the police station, two dozen supporters and Earth First!

advocates said they would camp in a vigil until investigators exonerate the two activists.

Police Lt. Mike Sims said FBI and police investigators believe the bomb was detonated accidentally.

"We're assuming the device was placed in the car by the occupants. We don't have any specific infor-

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information as to where they were going with it," Sims said.

A law-enforcement source on Friday described the bomb as a crude "anti-personnel" weapon.

The source, who asked not to be quoted by name, described the weapon as a pipe bomb two inches in diameter and packed with nails.

"This was not the type of bomb that would knock down a power pole," the source said. "This was made to hurt people."

Link to lumber-yard blast?

Sims suggested that investigators seek a link between Thursday's blast and a Sonoma County explosion earlier this month.

"We're aware that an explosive device was exploded in a lumber yard in Cloverdale on May 8 and we're talking to the investigative agencies in that case," he said.

Investigators speculated that the bomb had been placed just behind the driver's seat on the floor of Bari's Subaru station wagon.

According to the source, Cherney told paramedics that the bomb was thrown in the window of the car shortly before the explosion.

Investigators do not believe that is what actually happened, the source said, because of physical evidence indicating the bomb was beneath the guitar case.

In recent weeks members of "Earth First!" complained they had been the target of a series of death threats.

Officers from the Oakland police bomb squad flew to the redwood country by helicopter Friday to serve search warrants on the homes of the two people injured in the blast, the source said.

Bari, who remained hospitalized early Friday in serious but stable condition with a broken pelvis and abdominal and facial injuries at Highland Hospital in Oakland, had reported receiving death threats in recent months.

Held for questioning

FBI agents assisted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Fire-

arms and the Oakland Police Department questioned a number of people active in environmental causes about Thursday's bombing and also searched residences in Oakland and Berkeley.

Bari was driving east on Park when the device went off. She was apparently knocked unconscious in the explosion, which blew out the car's windshield, ripped off the left rear door and bowed the roof out.

The vehicle drifted into the westbound lanes and bounced off two other cars before it came to a rest at the northwest intersection of Park and MacArthur boulevards.

Bob Vandermeer, who was headed to an A's baseball game at the time of the explosion, said he heard the boom, felt the concussion and saw debris flying.

"The female driver was unconscious and sort of smashed up against the door on the driver's side," Vandermeer said. "As I approached, a man in the passenger seat popped up, bleeding pretty bad all over. He started yelling: 'Help! Get me out of here!'"

Bari and Cherney were rushed to Highland Hospital, several blocks away. Bari underwent surgery, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Civil rights violation

Cherney was treated for facial cuts, the spokeswoman said, and Earth First! members said he also suffered a broken wrist. FBI agents took him from the hospital to the Oakland police station.

Earth First! attorney Susan Jordan called the FBI and asked them to investigate the case as a violation of Bari's and Cherney's civil rights in light of death threats reportedly made against Bari in Mendocino County.

She said, after talking to her client in the hospital, "I'm trying to get her out, and at the same time I think there's a murderer out there and I'm scared to death."

A team of FBI agents scoured

the blast scene for hours Thursday afternoon in a search for clues.

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No explosives were found in the house, authorities said. Cherney's van, parked at the home, was also searched and two boxes were removed from the vehicle.

Plans for meeting

A man who gave his name only as David, interviewed Thursday after the explosion, said he attended the Wednesday night meeting at the Seeds of Peace house with Bari and Cherney.

He said Bari spent the night at his house in Oakland and that Cherney joined them Thursday morning at 9 for another meeting to make plans for the protest.

Following that meeting, David said, Bari and Cherney left his house around 11:30 a.m. and headed for Interstate 580. He said they were going to drive to Santa Cruz for another planning session.

David said he was following the couple to the freeway on the way to his computer engineering job when the blast occurred.

When he pulled over, David said, police detained him, impounded his automobile, searched his house without a warrant and took him to the Oakland police headquarters for questioning. He said he was released 7½ hours later.

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"Within 15 minutes of the accident, they were assuming we were bombers," David said.

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Earth First! at a glance



► **Founders:** The environmental movement's most radical group, Earth First! was founded in 1980

by Dave Foreman, Howie Wolke, Mike Roselle, Bart Koehler and Ron Kezer, all dropouts of mainstream conservation organizations.

► **Credo:** The nationwide non-organization refers to itself as a tribe and advocates direct-action, no-compromise tactics. Members take inspiration from Edward Abbey's "The Monkey Wrench Gang" published in 1975. They endorse "monkey-wrenching" — tree-sitting, timber-truck blockades, political organization of workers — or whatever it takes to stop environmental destruction.

► **Ethics:** No violence against living things, and each person follows his or her own conscience.

► **Motto:** "No compromise in defense of Mother Earth."

► **California connection:** Earth First!ers came to Mendocino County in 1983 to save the Sally Bell Grove in the Sinkyone State Wilderness. Darryl Cherney and Greg King began organizing to save old growth timber in 1986. The group denounced tree-spiking this spring to reduce tension.

Judi Bari

► **Age:** 40

► **Background:** A former union organizer in her native Maryland, came to Ukiah six years ago to work as a carpenter. Two years ago, she joined Earth First!.

► **Family:** The mother of two children, 9 and 4.

► **Strategy:** To organize workers with the message that environmentalists and loggers have the same goal to maintain forests over future years. She has a close association with Cherney.

Darryl Cherney

► **Age:** 33

► **Background:** A folk singer, who writes political lyrics designed to sting the timber industry and raise environmental consciousness. Cherney, with Greg King, co-founded the Garberville chapter of Earth First! in 1986. Cherney and King were among the group who climbed to the top of the Golden Gate Bridge on April 23, the day after Earth Day. They were stopped before they could unfurl a "Save This Planet" banner. They were arrested, but charges were dropped.



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Activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, victims of car bombing, seen here at Earth First! rally last week in Ukiah.

'Mississippi Summer in the Redwoods'

Earth First! is holding a "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods" to focus the nation's attention on threatened 1,000-year-old trees on the North Coast.

Just as the civil rights movement in the South 22 years ago called for activists to help the civil rights cause, Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari have called on en-

vironmentalists nationwide to help blockade what they see as excessive logging of California's oldest trees.

The plans for a summer of civil disobedience have angered the timber community. This summer was particularly crucial because Californians will vote in November on two tough timber-protection initiatives. The loggers fear profits and jobs will disappear because of the looming protectionist measures.



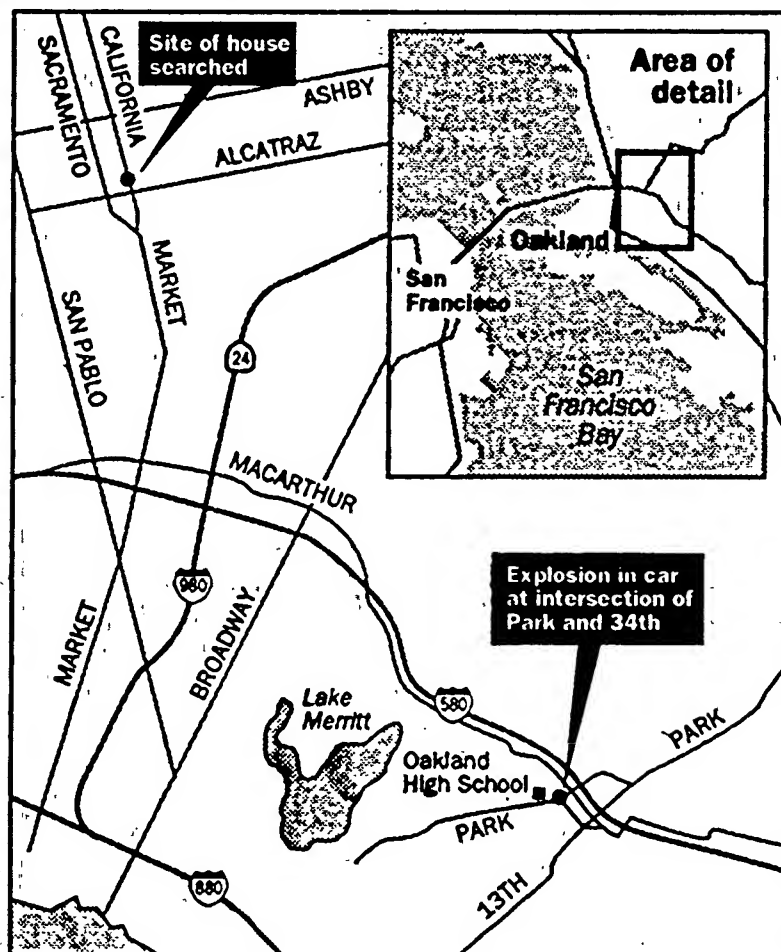
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Judi Bari of Earth First!: Her car was blown up in Oakland.



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Darryl Cherney was in the car with Bari when it exploded.





Mendocino County deputies patrol Calpella home of Judi Bari, Earth First! activist wounded by bomb in her car. EXAMINER/KIM KOMENICH



Investigators study the bombed station wagon in which Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were injured Thursday. EXAMINER/CAROLYN COLE



Death threat, with photo of activist Judi Bari from Ukiah newspaper, was found attached to door of Mendocino Environmental Center.



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Photo taken at April 11, 1990, rally of Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney in Samoa, Humboldt County. Louisiana-Pacific mill is in background.

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2 Earth First! members hurt in Oakland blast

Authorities believe bomb was their own

By Linda Goldston and Barry Witt
Mercury News Staff Writers

OAKLAND — Two members of the radical environmental group Earth First! were injured Thursday by their own pipe bomb, which exploded in their car about noon near Oakland High School, a federal investigator said.

By Thursday night, no arrests had been made in connection with the explosion, which rocked houses blocks away.

"As near as we can tell, they were transporting the device," said Jim Dower, the agent in charge of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms' local office.

FBI officials said the injured environmentalists — Judi Bari, 40, of Ukiah and Darryl Cherney, 34, of Garberville — claimed they had no knowledge of the bomb and were victims of an attack by timber interests for their outspoken political activities in California's Redwood Empire.

Earth First! spokesmen and at least one Mendocino County official said that Bari and Cherney had vowed to keep logging protests non-violent. Other Earth First! associates of the pair labeled investigators' suggestions that the bomb blast was accidental as "preposterous."

The two activists are organizers of what has been called "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods," a campaign to slow logging on the North Coast. They were in the Bay Area to recruit college students and other activists for what they have said will be a non-violent summer of civil disobedience to save the old-growth forests. Both were to have appeared at a rally at the University of California, Santa Cruz on Thursday night.

Bari, who was driving, was in serious condition Thursday night after undergoing abdominal surgery. She suffered a broken pelvis and serious cuts. Cherney suffered only a cut over his left eye. He was being questioned by investigators Thursday night.

The bomb, which investigators said measured about two inches in diameter by 10 inches long, exploded at 11:53 a.m. as the car passed through the intersection of East 34th Avenue and Park Boulevard, next to Oakland High School. Students were in class at the time, and school officials kept them indoors until

Car explosion comes as tension mounts over forest movement

authorities cleared the scene.

Investigators said the bomb detonated from inside the car, somewhere behind the front seat. The explosion blew out the windows and the rear driver's side door of the white 1981 Subaru station wagon. The

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other doors were blown open and the roof bowed upward.

The blast left a smoke streak on the pavement and scattered glass and car parts for about 40 feet in all directions. Witnesses said that after the explosion, the car rolled erratically a half block up Park Boulevard, clipping cars and light poles along the way before coming to a rest against a white van.

Cherney had spent Wednesday night at the Seeds of Peace house in Berkeley, where earlier in the evening they held a planning meeting for the "Redwood Summer" with about two dozen other activists.

Berkeley police Thursday night evacuated several homes around the Seeds of Peace house on California Street while the University of California bomb squad searched Cherney's brown Dodge van for explosives. None were found.

Earlier in the day, residents of the house were led away in handcuffs and questioned into the evening at Oakland police headquarters before being released. Police were attempting to obtain a search warrant for the house late Thursday night, although residents said officers already had been through the single-story white structure several times during the day.

The peace organization provides meals to anti-war protesters, including those who conduct civil disobedience activities at a Nevada nuclear test site.

Bari, the mother of two daughters, aged 4 and 9, had received several death threats in recent weeks, including one that said, "If you want to be a martyr, we will be happy to oblige." Cherney recently spent a

month in jail for a sit-in protest in Humboldt County.

The Alameda County Sheriff's Department bomb squad searched the cars of two associates of the pair who were driving behind them, but no other explosive devices were found. Authorities would not release their identities.

Bob Vandermeer, who was driving in front of the Subaru on his way to the A's baseball game, said the force of the explosion made him bounce up in his pickup truck seat.

"It was just a big blue cloud of smoke and it smelled like gunpowder," said Vandermeer, president of a San Rafael interior demolition company. "Things started falling from the air — parts of her car."

Kenneth Rich, a driver for Geyser Beverage Co., whose van finally stopped Bari's car, said he expected the occupants' injuries to be far more severe.

The incident comes at a time when tensions between environmentalists and lumber companies are at fever pitch as logging protests in the state's Redwood Empire have increased. Earth First! and other groups have accused the companies of overcutting

old-growth and other forests to pay off corporate debt.

Supervisor Norman L. de Vall of Mendocino County said that Bari had signed a "memorandum of understanding" with a leading logging spokesman in Ukiah last week and had told the board of supervisors that if "Redwood Summer is not non-violent, the movement has failed."

"This cries out for calm," de Vall said. "If this was intended to be a violent act, it must be the last one."

Relations on the North Coast also have become more strained since two initiatives backed by environmentalists qualified for the November ballot. A third initiative backed by the timber industry also will go before voters.

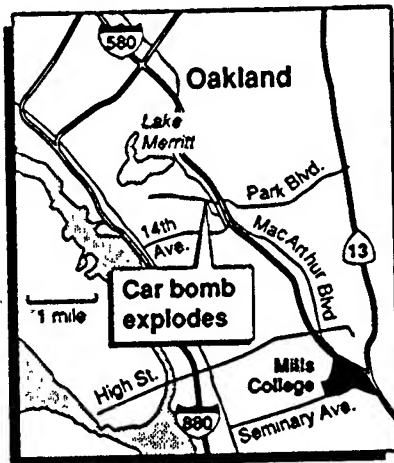
Authorities in the Redwood Empire have been meeting for the past two months to plan for the hundreds of college students expected to show up as "freedom riders for the forest." That follows a series of violent incidents against three Earth First! members last summer.

In one of them, a logging truck rammed into the back of Bari's car near Booneville. Her daughters and the two children of another activist were inside.

Bari and others have accused local law enforcement agencies of refusing to adequately investigate the incidents or press for prosecution. A lawsuit was filed by Earth First! and activist Mem Hill in Ukiah on Wednesday. The suit alleges that Hill's civil rights were violated when a logger hit her, breaking her nose.

Susan Massini, the district attorney in Mendocino County, did not return phone calls Thursday.

Mercury News Staff Writer Laura Kurtzman contributed to this report.



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at right, Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney at a rally



Oakland police investigators examine the bombed car, left;

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Bail raised to \$100,000 for Earth First! bomb suspects

Fellow activists decry judge's move, vow to raise cash

By Andy Furillo
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OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Citing police claims that they are flight risks, a judge increased bail to \$100,000 each for two environmental militants injured when a bomb they are accused of transporting exploded in their car.

Supporters of Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney vowed to raise bail for the activists in a case in which they say the victims are being treated like suspects.

"Somebody just gave me \$2,500 and another person is putting up property as collateral," Earth First! spokeswoman Pam Davis said Friday.

Meanwhile, a law enforcement source who asked not to be identified said it was the existence of a safety mechanism on the pipe bomb that exploded in the car Bari and Cherney were driving that led investigators to target them in the probe.

If the bomb had been put in the car with the intention of harming the environmentalists, as their supporters claim, it would have

made no sense to equip it with a safety, investigators believe, according to the source.

The device that detonated inside Bari's white Subaru was a crude "anti-personnel" weapon packed with roofing nails, the source said. The home-made weapon was 2 inches in diameter and secured by a safety pin.

"This was not the type of bomb that would knock down a power pole," the source said. "This was made to hurt people."

In a telephone interview with radio station KMUD-FM in Redway (Humboldt County), Cherney, who suffered a scratched cornea and lacerations over his eye, denied responsibility for the explosion.

He said the FBI agents who questioned him initially seemed polite, but "all of a sudden the questioning changed and they kind of squinted down a little bit into my one eye that was left and they said, 'Now we can find out if that was your bomb or not, so why don't you just tell us.'"

"And I said, 'Hey man, it never even occurred to me they would even remotely consider that we would be carrying a bomb in our car.'"

"I was completely disgusted with that."

Cherney said that at the time of the explosion, "I heard a crack and then my whole head started to ring like a sitar... hmmm... and the car came to a screeching halt.

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"My head was bleeding," he added. "I knew I had a seat belt on and couldn't figure why my head was bleeding if I hadn't hit the windshield and then I heard somebody scream out, 'It's a bomb! There was a bomb!' and then it all made sense. Someone had tried to kill us."

Investigators believe the bomb was placed in the back seat of the car directly behind the driver's seat and under a guitar case and other luggage, the source said.

A spokesman for the FBI, which is assisting Oakland police and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco

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and Firearms in the case, said officials have not ruled out the possibility that Cherney and Bari, who reported death threats against her in recent months, were in fact targeted.

"We're looking at the possibility that the bombs could have been placed in the vehicle by others," said FBI spokesman Duke Dietrich. "We're in the embryonic stages. It'll take a while to evaluate the evidence."

The bail schedule for possession of a destructive device, the offense for which Bari and Cherney initially were booked, normally is \$3,000, according to Presiding Oakland Municipal Judge Horace Wheatley.

Bail for Bari and Cherney was set at \$3,000 each on Friday, shortly after they were booked for suspicion of bomb possession.

But Earth First! activists said that when they raised the money to get Cherney out of jail — Bari remains hospitalized in serious condition — then presented it to police officials Friday, investigators quickly added three more related counts to the complaint.

The additional counts are possession of a booby trap, carrying or placing an explosive in a vehicle, and possession of a destructive device in a public place. Bail was then reset at \$12,000 each.

Davis said Earth First! activists were able to raise the \$12,000 for Cherney's release, but when they took the money to the police, she said they were told that Judge Wheatley had approved the \$100,000 bail.

In an informal hearing Friday with defense attorneys Hillary

Kramer and Mervin N. Cherrin, Wheatley said he hiked the bail after reading and considering a declaration submitted to him by an Oakland police sergeant seeking \$200,000 bail.

"I'm going by the charge, and I'm going by the representation made by the officer, and the fact they indicated a flight risk is in-

involved since these persons are from Guerneville," Wheatley told the attorneys, when they asked him why he signed the order for the higher bail.

Cherney actually lives near the Humboldt County city of Garberville. Bari is a Ukiah resident.

Wheatley granted Kramer and Cherney a hearing in his chambers, with Alameda County Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter present. Following a 35-minute session, the judge refused to rescind his bail order.

None of the attorneys or the judge would answer reporters' questions about the hearing, and Wheatley declined to make the Oakland police officer's declaration public.

Bari and Cherney are scheduled for arraignment on Tuesday in Oakland Municipal Court, at which time defense lawyers will argue for a reduction in bail.

Defense attorneys explained that Earth First! was seeking to put up the full amount of the bail, which would be entirely refundable, rather than have a bail bondsman put up the money for a nonrefundable 10 percent fee.

"I think the way this whole thing has been handled is outrageous," Cherrin said. "I worked in the South during the 1960s, and that's the closest thing I've ever seen to this."

'Someone doesn't like them'

Cherrin said Cherney, still suffering from facial cuts sustained in Thursday's 11:53 a.m. explosion in the intersection of Park Boulevard and 34th Street in Oakland, was questioned for 13 straight hours from Thursday afternoon into Friday morning without being given any food.

A law enforcement source said that Cherney steadfastly maintained his innocence during the questioning and that he tried to convert investigators to his environmental cause during the interrogation.

Bari, meanwhile, remained under police guard at Highland Hospital in serious but stable condition. She sustained a broken pelvis

and other injuries in the blast.

Her attorney, Susan B. Jordan, said Bari and Cherney "were victims of an attempted murder by someone who doesn't like them. It's perfectly obvious to me."

Jordan said that Bari, in a conversation from her hospital bed, vehemently denied the bomb was hers.

Numerous death threats were reported by Cherney in recent months as Earth First! prepares for a summer of direct environmental action to stop the cutting of old-growth timber in Northern California.

Jordan said the FBI "assured me personally that they're going to look into" the reported death threats against Bari.

"I'm very hopeful they can find the people who tried to murder Judi and Darryl," Jordan said.

Supporters of the Earth First! activists held another rally outside the Oakland Police Department on Friday, singing songs, demanding the release of Bari and Cherney — and vowing to head for the redwoods as early as next week.

Jane Kay and Don Martinez of The Examiner staff and Examiner news services contributed to this report.



In Berkeley, activists say police ransacked this room where Bari and Cherney attended a meeting Wednesday.

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re than 100 people rally outside the Oakland Police Administration facility on Friday in support of Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney.

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Earth First! Is 'Not Scared'

Anti-logging group says bomb was planted, won't deter efforts

By Elliot Diringer
Chronicle Staff Writer

The car bomb that injured two Earth First! leaders put a frightening new edge on what was already shaping up as a long, tense summer of confrontation in California's redwood country.

Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, who authorities say are responsible for the bomb that tore through their car Thursday in Oakland, are principal organizers of Redwood Summer, an event being billed as a series of nonviolent anti-logging protests on the North Coast.

North Coast authorities, who have been bracing for whatever might erupt when swarms of demonstrators descend on angry logging towns, said they hope the explosion will dissuade protesters from coming. Redwood Summer organizers, however, said they will not be deterred.

"We haven't been fired up like this in the 10-year history of Earth First!" said Mike Roselle, a co-founder of the loosely knit group of radical environmentalists. "We're not scared. We're going to redouble our efforts."

Like many of his colleagues, Roselle insisted that Bari and Cherney were the targets of the bomb, not its perpetrators, and that the version presented by investigators is part of a broader effort by law enforcement authorities to "harass and discredit the Earth First! movement."

Whatever the truth, one likely outcome is rising tempers on the North Coast, where environmentalists and logging companies are waging war over the forests and loggers and mill workers see their livelihoods hanging in the balance.

The episode comes against a backdrop of growing animosities,

with each side accusing the other of issuing death threats and inciting their members to violence.

"Many people (in the logging industry) have received threats," said Shep Tucker, a spokesman for Louisiana Pacific, whose Cloverdale mill was the target of a fizzled bomb attack earlier this month.

"We've had bomb threats," he said. "People have been tailgated. They've been phoned in the middle of the night. Who's doing that? Who's to say? We've asked our people to exercise patience and restraint, kind of turn the other cheek."

Although Tucker expressed sympathy for Bari and Cherney, saying he hoped they recover quickly, that sentiment was far from universal.

"There's a lot of mixed reactions up here," said Humboldt County Supervisor Anna Sparks, who has had frequent contact with Cherney. "The ones that support him are real sympathetic, and the ones that don't support him, I guess, are kind of elated that he has brought a mishap upon himself."

Fashioned after the civil rights protests that swept the South in the summer of 1964, Redwood Summer has been promoted by its organizers as a campaign of nonviolent civil disobedience aimed at stopping the "overcutting" of California's forests, particularly the last virgin redwoods still in private hands.

Far from dissuading the protesters, the bombing has brought a "tremendous upsurge of support coming from all over the United States," said Betty Ball of the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah.

She said that the center was flooded with sympathetic calls yesterday and that at least 80 people signed up for the nonviolence

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training that is mandatory for Redwood Summer participants.

Although several organizations are promoting Redwood Summer, most of the attention has focused on Earth First!, the self-styled band of "eco-defenders" who have staged colorful demonstrations in an effort to save the redwoods.

The group has also advocated "ecotage" or "monkeywrenching" — illicit sabotage aimed at stopping those they view as despoilers of the environment.

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"Tree spiking," the act of driving a long nail into a tree to make it more difficult to cut down, became the most infamous of these tactics after a Mendocino County millworker was seriously injured when the saw he was operating ran into a spike.

Investigators found no evidence linking the incident to Earth First!, and the group's organizers in the North Coast, including Bari and Cherney, have since publicly renounced the tactic.

The group's highly public stands have earned it many enemies. A Southern California group called the Sahara Club, which defends the right of dirt-bikers to

ride through desert areas that environmentalists are trying to protect, has circulated newsletters with the names, addresses and license plate number of people active with Earth First!

"(Let's) see what sort of heat we can apply on these criminals," says one newsletter. "Just do the right thing and let your conscience be your guide," says another.

Earth First! members complain that authorities have refused to investigate threats against them, and instead seem intent on finding ways to pin on them crimes they did not commit.

"The strategy is to destroy Earth First! and to intimidate the entire environmental movement and social change movement in this country," charged Earth First! co-founder Dave Foreman, who

said the federal conspiracy charges he faces in an Arizona case are part of that campaign.

Foreman, who is charged with plotting to blow up power lines at nuclear generating plants, insisted that he was framed by an FBI infiltrator. His case is scheduled to go to trial September 5.

He noted that the Earth First! bible — a book he edited called "Ecodefense: A Field Guide to Monkeywrenching" — explicitly warns against the use of explosives.

"Monkeywrenching is something simple, low-tech," he said. "It doesn't require the use of explosives. That goes into a larger and, I think, more difficult realm of sabotage. It's higher-tech. It's more dangerous. It creates a bad image."



BY MICHAEL MALONEY/THE CHRONICLE

Members and supporters of Earth First! staged a sit-in yesterday at the Oakland Police Administration building to protest the arrests of two Earth First! members injured by a car bomb Thursday

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Oakland Police Arrest the Victims In Car Explosion

**Cops believe bomb
knowingly carried
by environmentalists**

*By Michael Taylor
and Sharon McCormick
Chronicle Staff Writers*

The two Earth First! leaders who were injured when a bomb ripped open their car as they drove through Oakland were arrested yesterday on suspicion of transporting the explosive device.

After the arrests, members of the militant environmental group and a lawyer for one of the suspects charged that the bombing victims, Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, were sabotaged by unknown government agents or by logging interests angry at Earth First!'s campaign to stop the cutting of redwoods on the North Coast.

Oakland police Lieutenant Mike Sims said, however, that there are no other suspects in the case and that "the evidence is strong that they (Bari and Cherney) were transporting this device."

"Based on what we've determined the location of the device to be, we believe they should have known it was there," Sims said at a crowded news conference in police headquarters, apparently implying that the bomb was in plain view of Bari and Cherney.

Police believe the bomb exploded accidentally, about five minutes after Bari and Cherney left a friend's house in Oakland on Thursday morning.

The suspects are being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail each — Cherney in Oakland City Jail and Bari at Oakland's Highland Hospital, where she is recovering from severe injuries caused by the blast.

Both were booked on multiple counts of possessing a booby trap and violating state explosives statutes. Originally, bail had been set at \$9,000 for Bari and \$12,000 for Cherney.

Oakland-Piedmont Municipal Court Judge Horace Wheatley said he increased the bail for each suspect because of information given to him by Oakland police. He said he could not disclose the nature of the new information, but he added that the police wanted the bail to be even higher.

Police Sergeant Ramon Paniagua, one of the investigators on the case, said he asked to have the bail raised because of "the nature of the incident. We're talking about a very dangerous device here. And I don't want those guys outside."

Sims said that although "we don't know what the target may have been, we suspect they intended to use the device." On May 9, a pipe bomb exploded at a Louisiana-Pacific Corp. sawmill in Cloverdale in Sonoma County, and Sims, when asked whether there was any connection with the Oakland blast, said "we're aware" of the Cloverdale explosion.

Bari and Cherney were in the Bay Area on Thursday on a promotional tour for Redwood Summer, a campaign on the North Coast to prevent the logging of redwoods. Earth First!, the group that popularized tree-spikeing as an unorthodox method to prevent lumberjacks from sawing trees, is sponsoring Redwood Summer. Bari and Cherney, its two most visible leaders, say they have received numer-

ous death threats because of their outspoken ideas.

The explosion at 11:50 a.m. Thursday demolished Bari's four-door Subaru station wagon. Police sealed off the area and searched for more bombs in Bari's car and another vehicle driven by a friend of Bari's.

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Thursday night and early yesterday morning, police and federal agents investigating the explosion searched two houses in the East Bay, Bari's home near Ukiah, and Cherney's home near Garberville. No other bombs or explosive devices were found, they said.

Cheryl Hamman, who described herself as a friend of Bari and Cherney, said she was among 10 people who watched eight agents enter Cherney's house and emerge 85 minutes later with two brown paper shopping bags. She said they would not identify themselves or the contents of the bags.

At a duplex in the 3200 block of California Street in Berkeley, police seized duct tape, electrical wire and "miscellaneous papers and maps," according to an inventory left by police at the house. The dwelling is rented by the peace group Seeds of Peace and was the site of a meeting Wednesday night attended by Bari and Cherney.

On Thursday night, officers also searched Cherney's van, which was parked across the street from the Seed of Peace house. Residents of the house said yesterday that police removed two boxes from the van and exploded them in the street. Yesterday morning, hundreds of feet of cassette recording tape could be seen hanging from nearby utility poles.

Search Warrant

In a search warrant signed by Oakland-Piedmont Municipal Court Judge Carol A. Corrigan, police said they wanted to search Bari's house in Redwood Valley, 10 miles north of Ukiah, for "pipe bombs, threaded end caps, low explosive filler" and other material that could be used in making bombs.

After the explosion, two friends of Bari and Cherney's were detained by police and questioned for several hours before they were released.

Sims would not disclose the nature of the "physical evidence"

EARTH FIRST!

■ It was founded in 1980 with the slogan "No compromise in defense of Mother Earth."

■ It has a budget of \$100,000, 50 "bureaus" around the world and a publication called the Earth First! Journal, a tabloid that is published eight times a year. It reportedly has 10,000 to 15,000 members.

■ It conducts research and compiles statistics on environmental problems.

■ It believes that problems such as ozone depletion and destruction of forests threaten ecological annihilation and demand radical solutions.

■ The tactics the group advocates have made it the target of FBI scrutiny. Dave Foreman, 43, the group's co-founder, is awaiting trial in Arizona on charges of conspiracy to tear down an electrical tower.

gathered by police or describe the details of the car bomb. He said only that it was "probably not a device that would be remotely detonated."

Report of Bomb Type

But one of the friends detained for questioning said he learned from FBI agents investigating the case that the bomb was a one-foot section of two-inch pipe contained in a plywood box. The friend claimed that the FBI agents said the bomb was fueled by smokeless gunpowder and bits and pieces indicated that it had been hooked up to a timing device.

The friend gave his first name as David and said he is a computer engineer. He said Bari stayed in a spare bedroom in his house, one mile south of Lake Merritt in Oakland, on Wednesday night.

David said he was driving a few minutes behind her on Thursday when the bomb went off. He said he believes that the bomb was put in Bari's car while it was parked outside his house.

'Clearly Sabotage'

Attorney Susan Jordan, who was retained by Bari, later said, "It's always easy to charge somebody who's unpopular."

"If (the police) have evidence, why won't they show it to us? It's clearly sabotage. Who is the person who attempted to murder Judi and Darryl?"

In Maryland, Bari's mother, Ruth Bari, said her daughter is "too smart to put a bomb under her seat. She just wouldn't do a thing like that."

Jordan said she visited Bari at the hospital yesterday and found her "barely coherent. She's going to be in traction for the next six to eight weeks." After being interrogated by police, Bari reported to her, "They're telling me it's my fault."

Radio Report

Cherney declined to give interviews at his jail cell, but at one point he telephoned radio station KMUD-FM in Garberville and gave a brief account of the explosion.

"I heard a crack, and then my head started ringing like a sitar," said Cherney, a singer and guitarist who frequently entertains environmental groups. He said he heard someone outside the car yell, "It's a bomb! It's a bomb!" and he looked over at Bari and "she was screaming in pain."

Cherney said that as soon as he heard it might be a bomb, "it all made sense — some assassin is trying to kill us." Cherney told the radio station that he had nothing to do with the explosion.

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JUDI BARI
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SPECIAL REPORT

Bomb victims jailed

2 leaders of Earth First! were aware of device, police say

By Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune

Two leaders of the radical Earth First! environmental group injured in a pipe bomb explosion in their car were arrested yesterday after police sources said several pieces of evidence indicated the pair knew about the device and had materials that may have been used in its construction.

The arrests of Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, whose car was turned into a mass of mangled metal by the Thursday morning blast near Oakland High School, prompted allegations from other activists of a frame-up.

Close to 150 supporters of the suspects congregated inside Oakland Police Department headquarters last night, playing conga drums, dancing, singing and calling for an unbiased investigation of the bombing.

Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, accused police of taking the "easy way out" by arresting the pair, saying it was not "plausible" they would knowingly have a bomb in their car.

Bari and Cherney have been booked for investigation of possessing and transporting an explosive device and are being held on \$100,000 bail each.

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At a news conference yesterday, Oakland police said they had evidence linking the bomb to Bari and Cherney, although they would not detail what that was.

Law enforcement sources told The Tribune the evidence police have uncovered includes:
■ The pipe bomb, which was located behind the driver's seat

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of the car, was covered by a guitar case that Bari placed there when she got into the automobile Thursday morning. That indicated she knew the device was in the vehicle, sources said.

■ Some finishing nails identical to ones used in the bomb were found elsewhere in the car, sources said, and similar nails were found during a search of one of the suspect's houses in the Garberville area.

■ Duct tape and wire that resembled that used in the bomb also was found in Cherney's van and house and in Bari's house, sources said.

The bomb was an "anti-personnel" device with an alarm clock timer, sources said, and authorities believe Cherney and Bari planned to take it to Santa Cruz where they were scheduled to appear at a rally Thursday night.

That event and their visit to the Eastbay were part of an effort by Cherney and Bari to promote a "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protest they have planned for Mendocino and Humboldt counties.

Authorities have theorized that to drum up sympathy for their cause, the suspects planned to detonate the device in the car while they were at the Santa Cruz rally, making it appear they were the targets of an attack by logging interests, sources said.

As leaders of Earth First!, a militant environmental group that has used sabotage and vandalism against loggers, cattle companies, utilities and other targets, Bari and Cherney have received numerous threats, according to their supporters.

Bari, who suffered a broken pelvis and other injuries from Thursday's blast, was booked in absentia at Highland General Hospital where she is in serious condition.

Cherney, who was treated at the hospital for minor injuries, was arrested about 3 a.m. after being interviewed by investigators at police headquarters.

Beside the possession and transporting counts, they were

both booked for possession of a destructive device in a public place. Cherney also was booked for possession of a booby trap.

Jordan, Bari's attorney, said she had a brief conversation with her client at the hospital, and Bari "completely denied any involvement in any kind of violence or any kind of explosion."

Earth First! member Karen Pickett said the organization was "outraged that victims of attempted murder are blamed for the crime by the authorities charged with protecting them."

The arrest "smacks of FBI tactics that were used against political activists like the Black Panther Party and the anti-apartheid movement in the '60s and '70s," she said.

Several other groups, including Greenpeace and the Industrial Workers of the World, issued statements yesterday making similar allegations.

Lt. Mike Sims, who is heading the joint investigation with the FBI and U.S. Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Bureau, told reporters at the news conference that the decision to arrest Bari and Cherney "was based on the placement of the device, the nature of its construction and physical and other evidence."

"We believe, yes, they should have known the device was there. Both of them," Sims said.

Sims said investigators "have determined it was not a device remotely detonated."

"We believe it went off accidentally," Sims said.

Sources said the car's motion may have tripped the frail circuitry in the bomb, detonating it.

Sims said police are not sure how the suspects obtained the device and nothing has been found to indicate others were involved.

He said police also are looking into the earlier threats against Bari. "But we don't think at this time they had anything to do with the bombing."

He also said police are in contact with authorities in Cloverdale, where a bomb exploded in a lumber yard on May 8, to see if that is linked to the Oakland race.

FBI agents and Oakland police yesterday searched Cherney's rented dome house in the rural community of Salmon Creek north of Garberville, and Bari's house in Redwood Valley near Ukiah.

An activist there, Cheryl Hamman, complained in a telephone call last night that investigators had spent an hour and a half combing through Cherney's house but refused to show anyone at the scene a search warrant.

Bari, who has two daughters, aged 9 and 4, is a Maryland native who was active in anti-Vietnam War protests in the 1970s and later was a labor union organizer. She came to California 11 years ago and joined Earth First! about two years ago.

Cherney is a folk singer and songwriter who ran for U.S. Congress in 1988. He joined Earth First! almost immediately after his arrival in the North Coast area three years ago from his native New York.

The pair lived together for a time at Bari's home, according to acquaintances, and have been the principal organizers of Earth First!'s "Redwood Summer" logging protest.

Earth First! members believe that animals and plants have an inalienable right to exist that is now being threatened by human activity.

"We believe that the Earth deserves civil rights the same as people do," Cherney once said in an interview.

Many of Earth First!'s members have an apocalyptic vision of the future. They say the environment is being taxed to its limits and without militant protest, further human activity will lead to the inexorable destruction of many plant and animal species.

Cherney shared that vision and militancy, according to one Garberville acquaintance.

"He feels it's the only thing left that people will listen to," the acquaintance said. "Things are being done to the environment that are irreversible."

But the acquaintance also said, "He's very intense, but definitely non-violent."

To people who have been targets of Earth First! protests, however, the allegations of violence by members of the group come as no surprise.

"They are a violent, terrorist group," said John Ross, executive vice president of the California Cattlemen's Association.

Ross said Earth First! vandalized his group's Sacramento headquarters one night in January 1989 and firebombed an auction warehouse in Dixon that same day.

Ranchers also have had their corrals burned to the ground by members of militant animal rights and environmental groups, including Earth First!

Because Earth First! is very loosely organized and has numerous factions and splinter groups, it is impossible to say how many members it has.

The group claims more than 10,000 subscribers to its newsletter. Ross estimated there are 100 "hard core" members in California, and nearly another 1,000 "hangers-on."

Some members of Earth First! repudiate violence, but others advocate what they call "ecotage" or "monkeywrenching" — sabotage to further the environmental cause.

Monkeywrenching is a phrase borrowed from Edward Abbey's 1975 novel, "The Monkey Wrench Gang" about a group of environmental saboteurs.

One of Earth First!'s founders, David Foreman, wrote a sabotage guide book entitled, "Ecodefense: A Field Guide to Monkeywrenching," that includes information on how to topple power lines and billboards and spike trees to wreck chainsaws.

"What makes us different is that we have the teeth of monkeywrenching to back up our work," Cherney once said in an interview with the Los Angeles Times.

The group has even gone to the extreme of suggesting that people with terminal diseases such as AIDS should consider performing suicide missions against

corporations that have fouled the environment, police officials said.

The officials quoted an article in an Earth First! journal last year that said, "Don't go out with a whimper, go out with a bang. Undertake an eco-kamikaze mission."

Several Earth First! activists, including Foreman, were arrested in May 1989 after an 18-month FBI undercover investigation into the group.

They were accused of plotting attacks on power lines at nuclear plants in Arizona, California and Colorado, and are awaiting trial.

Last month's sabotage of Pacific Gas and Electric Co. utility towers in Santa Cruz that knocked out power to thousands of people also is believed to be the work of a splinter group of Earth First! called Earth Night Action Group, according to police.

Most recently, Earth First! has been in the news over its confrontation with loggers, and the group is hoping to attract hundreds of demonstrators to its "Redwood Summer" protests.

"It's going to be a long hot summer. The eyes of the nation will be watching us," Bari said last month.

Bari and Cherney both have insisted that the protests will be non-violent, according to their acquaintances.

Thus far, there have been no bombings or other major violence, although people on all sides have reported receiving death threats.

But police fear the Oakland bombing incident may cause things to boil over.

"This will probably escalate the level of violence," said Mendocino County Sheriff's Lt. Jay Miller.



in Bradley of Oakland, center, holds a sign during a protest for the release of Earth First! members

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Bomb was murder plot, activist says

By Robert J. Lopez
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Earth First! environmental activist Darryl Cherney, charged with possessing and transporting an explosive device, yesterday maintained his innocence, saying he is the victim of both a smear campaign and an assassination attempt.

In an exclusive interview with The Tribune at the Oakland jail, Cherney said he is not only the victim of FBI and logging company smear tactics, but the target of an anti-environmentalist assassination plot.

"By arresting me, the police and the district attorney are hiding the fact that they are incapable of going after the would-be assassin," Cherney said.

"What's particularly frightening," he added, "is that the killer didn't finish the job. This

whole thing reeks of an FBI operation."

Cherney, 33, and fellow Earth First! activist Judi Bari, 40, were injured Thursday morning when a pipe bomb exploded in their car in front of Oakland High School. Bari suffered a broken pelvis and facial injuries, and Cherney a laceration over his left eye and a scratched cornea.

In the past two months, Cherney said, he has received "dozens of death threats," including terrorist phone calls and hate mail. He claims that Pacific Lumber Co. and other Northern California logging firms have distributed two fraudulent Earth First! press releases, saying he and Bari planned to carry out a campaign of violence against the timber industry.

"I believe they are part of the reason the death threats have proliferated," he said, speaking from behind a heavy glass wall in the jail.

"But worse than the threats is the hate and smear campaign which the timber industry is propagating."

In a statement issued Thursday, Pacific Lumber Co. said it "is unequivocal in its denunciation of violence, be it directed toward humans or equipment."

Cherney, Bari and activist George Shook, who play in a three-piece acoustic band, were touring the Bay Area to promote the upcoming "Redwood Summer." Hundreds of environmentalists are expected to take part in forest sit-ins and civil disobedience during that operation to call attention to the destruction of the once-abundant Pacific Northwest timberland.

Cherney, dressed in a green and brown striped pajama-like top and khaki pants, with a heavy gauze patch over his injured eye, measured his words carefully. He paused frequently between questions, seeming somewhat dazed by the events of the past two days.

Throughout the half-hour interview, he reiterated his commitment to peaceful disobedience: "I cannot stress enough how much we have preached the word of non-violence."

He also commented on reports that the group has gone so far as to suggest that people with terminal diseases, including AIDS, should consider performing suicide missions against companies that have polluted the environment.

Cherney, in an interview on CBS' "60 Minutes," said if he was terminally ill, he would strap explosives to his body.

Yesterday, however, Cherney said "They took a flippant remark I made and took it totally out of context."

As for Thursday's bombing, police said they uncovered duct tape, wire and finishing nails in the van that were similar to

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those used in the pipe bomb.

But Cherney said not only did he have nothing to hide, but also that he himself had insisted that police search his van, parked outside a "Seeds for Peace" activist communal house in South Berkeley, to make sure a bomb was not planted inside.

He also said he didn't remember specifically what was inside the van, but added, "Hell, everybody keeps tools in their car."

Recalling the explosion, Cherney said at first he thought the car was rammed by another vehicle.

"But something didn't make sense," he said. "I had my seat-belt on and felt blood coming down my head.

"I heard voices from outside. 'It's a bomb.' Then I realized someone tried to kill us."

Cherney said he doesn't know where the bomb came from or if it was thrown into the car or planted beforehand.

"I just assume it was a bomb because there was an explosion," he said.

Ironically, Cherney said, he and Bari had decided, in part, to come to the Bay Area to take a break from the escalating violence back in Mendocino County.

"Things were very stressful up north. And it seemed to me that going on the tour would not only provide me with a little relief, but would also be highly constructive for our upcoming campaign to slow down logging company operations with non-violent protests."

Likening the environmental struggle to the civil rights Freedom Summer movement of 1964 during which three activists were killed in Mississippi, Cherney said he and others realize the dangers of their cause.

"We fully expected this oppression to come down if we were effective," he said. "But it didn't stop Freedom Summer's success, and I don't think the attempted assassination of the Redwood Summer organizers will stop our Redwood Summer."



Darryl Cherney
Charges smear campaign

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Pair in bombed car arrested

Earth First! denies plot; judge sets \$100,000 bail

By Barry Witt
Mercury News Staff Writer

OAKLAND — A judge set bail at \$100,000 Friday for two members of the radical environmental group Earth First! after they were arrested for allegedly carrying a pipe bomb that blew up their car.

Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 34, who were injured when the bomb exploded Thursday in Oakland, denied police allegations that they knew the bomb was in the car.

Cherney called the Mercury News from jail shortly after speaking with his attorney.

"I gave the police my complete itinerary and spoke to them without an attorney," he said. "They said, 'We appreciate your cooperating with us.' I said, 'I'm demanding that you do an investigation and catch this would-be killer.'"

Cherney said that "Judi has an alibi for every minute of her day on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday." Neither of them had any knowledge of a bomb, he said repeatedly.

The environmentalists' attorneys and vocal supporters — who held protest rallies Friday and an around-the-clock vigil outside Oakland police headquarters — said authorities were blaming the victims while allowing a violent criminal to roam freely.

An FBI spokesman said federal authorities were continuing to investigate the incident to determine whether the bombing was an Earth First! mistake or an intentional attack on the two activists.

"We're not saying (Oakland police) are in error," the FBI's Duke Diedrich said. "We don't have any evidence of (an attack) other than

the claims being made by supporters of the victims."

Diedrich said agents were looking into any possible links between Thursday's incident and the intentional downing of Santa Cruz power lines last month and the discovery of a pipe bomb at a Cloverdale lumber mill this month.

Two attorneys failed in a late-afternoon closed-door meeting with Alameda County Municipal Judge Horace Wheatley to get him to reverse his bail decision, which he made after police presented a declaration seeking bail of \$250,000 for both Bari and Cherney.

That declaration was not released to the attorneys or news media — as was the case with most evidence investigators say they have against the pair.

Authorities on Friday searched the Mendocino County homes of Cherney and Bari, and earlier searched the Berkeley house of Seeds of Peace, an activist organization, where Cherney stayed Wednesday night. Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims said no bombs were found but he would not elaborate on what evidence, if any, investigators retrieved.

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office said the case was still under review and no decision would be made until Tuesday on whether to file charges. Police arrested the pair on suspicion of four crimes

related to possession and transportation of a bomb.

Earth First! leaders scrambled Friday night to try to raise Cherney's bail money — it had started the day at \$3,000 — but there was no indication whether they'd be successful. About 100 activists chanted "Free Darryl!" outside the police building.

Bari remained in guarded condition in the jail ward of Highland Hospital. She is expected to stay there several weeks, re-

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covering from a pelvic fracture and other injuries.

At a morning news conference announcing the arrests, Oakland's Sims said investigators reconstructing the explosion determined the bomb was in the passenger compartment at a location at which Bari and Cherney should have known it was there."

He refused to specify what investigators believe was the precise location, although authorities said Thursday the 10-inch-long bomb was behind the front seat of the 1981 Subaru station wagon.

"We suspect they were in possession of the device with the intent to use it," Sims said, adding that police believe it detonated accidentally. Police said they did not know of a target.

Associates of the two Earth First! members said Bari had spent the night at the home of an Oakland activist about a mile from the scene of the explosion on Park Boulevard at East 34th Street. That activist, who would identify himself only as David, age 40, said Bari's car was parked on the street outside his house all night. Cherney and a fourth person, Shannon

Marr, of the Berkeley-based Seeds of Peace House, arrived at the Oakland house in another car at 9:30 a.m. Thursday.

The group discussed a fund-raising letter for this summer's planned anti-logging protests, and Cherney and Bari left at 11:45 in one car and Marr in another. Within about five minutes, as they headed back to the Seeds of Peace House, the bomb exploded.

In interviews Friday, Cherney, Marr, David and Bari's attorney all said that at no time before the explosion did anyone have or see a bomb.

"I know they didn't blow themselves up," Marr said.

Mercury News Staff Writer Linda Goldston contributed to this report.



Paul Kitagaki Jr. — Mercury News

Sepie Wilson, left, and Thom Curdts strain to hear Earth First! activists at news conference.

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Explosion catapults campaign into limelight

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

The explosion of a bomb inside the car of Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney has propelled "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods" into the national spotlight.

And while charges and countercharges about who was responsible for the bomb are still flying, environmentalists and loggers said Friday they expect the protest now will be bigger than ever.

The planned summer of demonstrations to slow logging on the North Coast "now has a life of its own," said Mendocino County Supervisor Norman L. de Vall.

"It will focus the eyes of the nation on the issue," de Vall said.

Bringing national attention was just what Earth First! organizers Cherney and Bari said they had in mind when they issued the call to

Redwood Summer is mushrooming, more than we ever could have imagined.

colleges around the country for "freedom riders for the forest."

And, if anything, de Vall and others said, the bomb that exploded in Bari's and Cherney's car on Thursday — and their later arrests in connection with the incident — will only bring more people to the Redwood Empire.

"Redwood Summer is mushrooming, more than we ever could have imagined," said Betty Ball, coordinator of the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah.

At the request of Bari, Art Harwood, general manager of the family-owned saw mill called Harwood Products in Mendocino County, had arranged meetings between activists and loggers to help ease tensions in the timber-reliant region.

As many as 1,000 activists are expected in Mendocino and Humboldt counties this sum-

mer to protest what Earth First! and other groups have said is massive over-cutting of forests on the North Coast, including 1,000-year-old Redwoods.

But in the wake of Thursday's bombing, saw mill owner Harwood said meetings between the timber industry and environmentalists are "more important than ever."

"It's pretty obvious we've got a long way to go," he said.

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Violence won't deter fight, forest activist says from jail

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

Violence did not stop the fight for civil rights in the South in the 1960s, and it won't stop the fight for the forests in 1990, Earth First! activist Darryl Cherney vowed from jail Friday.



Cherney

Then I heard somebody screaming, 'It was a bomb, a bomb.' I heard Judi screaming in pain."

As he was on Thursday, Cherney was a passenger in Bari's car last summer when it was rammed by a logging truck in Booneville. Four children, including Bari's two daughters, also were in the car.

Since then, both activists said they have received numerous death threats after calling for "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods," a campaign they described as non-violent protests to slow logging on the North Coast.

"We've always said that this was not a picnic and this incident more than ever stresses the need to entrench ourselves in the non-violent ethic. Three deaths and the jailing of some organizers did not stop Freedom Summer in Mississippi in 1964. It will not stop Redwood Summer," Cherney said.

Cherney and Bari were in the Bay Area to recruit activists for Redwood Summer, and Cherney said he still hopes to speak at the First United Methodist Church of San Jose on Friday.

"It's a miracle. I'm talking to you right now," he said. "Lady luck was smiling on me. Judi got the lion's share."

In a telephone call to the Mercury News from the Oakland City Jail, Cherney denied any knowledge of the bomb that exploded in the car he and Judi Bari were riding in Thursday and accused police of arresting "the victims of an assassination attempt."

"After all the death threats we've received and after the timber industry directly riled up the workers with a hate campaign against Judi and myself personally, somebody made good on the threats," he said. "It's outrageous that the victim of an assassination attempt is thrown in jail."

A few hours after the explosion, a spokesman for Pacific Lumber Co., based in Humboldt County, called the incident "appalling" and said the company "does not in any way shape or form condone or promote violence, be it spiking trees, blowing up power lines or bombing cars."

Cherney said he and Bari were leaving Oakland to go to the University of California, Santa Cruz, "when all of a sudden my head began to ring. My first thought was, 'Oh, no, not again.'"

"Then confusion hit me because my head was bleeding, but I knew I didn't go through the windshield."

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\$100,000 bail keeps bomb suspect in jail

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Earth First! environmental activist Darryl Cherney remained in Oakland jail last night, unable to post a \$100,000 bail, police said.

Cherney, 33, and fellow Earth First! activist Judi Bari, 40, were injured Thursday morning when a pipe bomb exploded in their car in front of Oakland High School.

Oakland police, saying evidence indicates that Cherney and Bari knew about the bomb, charged the pair Friday with possessing and transporting an explosive device.

Meanwhile, the FBI announced it was investigating whether those behind the bombing were involved in other recent acts of violence by environmentalists in Northern California. Those incidents included the April 23 sabotage of PG&E electrical lines in Santa Cruz County, which left thousands of people without power.

Cherney, in a jailhouse interview with The Tribune, claimed to know nothing of the bomb, saying he is the victim of a smear campaign and an anti-environmentalist assassination plot.

Bari suffered a broken pelvis and facial injuries in the blast, and Cherney received a laceration over his left eye and a scratched cornea. Bari was in stable condition last night in the intensive care unit at Highland General Hospital in Oakland, a nursing supervisor said.

In San Francisco, meanwhile, FBI spokesman Duke Diedrich said the bureau was investigating possible links between Thursday's bombing and other acts of violence in Northern California.

"We will conduct and have been conducting an investigation throughout Northern California to see if any of the incidents are

connected in any way," Diedrich said.

"This is going to be a long, involved investigation," he said.

The arrest of Cherney sparked outrage from Earth First! members and others, who have maintained a vigil since Thursday night outside the Oakland Police Department. Last night, a handful of activists braved the damp weather to continue the vigil.

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Bombing first salvo in summer battle?

Earth First! activists,
loggers get ready for
a season of protest
among redwoods

By Eric Brazil
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

UKIAH — Mendocino County is so swash in bad temper, fear and suspicion over the confrontation between environmentalists and loggers that not everyone is shocked, or even bothered, by the car bombing and arrests of Earth First! organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney.

Cherney and Bari are the red-hot core of the campaign against rapid cutting of the region's forests that is the focus of "Redwood Summer" — a planned season of civil disobedience aimed at disrupting logging in the area.

There is general agreement that the pipe bomb that went off in Bari's and Cherney's car Thursday on a busy Oakland street has given Redwood Summer prominence and lays bare the economic and social problems that make Mendocino County an unhappy place.

Bari and Cherney were placed under arrest Friday and charged with possession and transportation of a bomb. Saturday, Cherney was still in custody in Oakland City

Jail. Bari was reported in stable condition at Highland Hospital, where she is recovering from a broken pelvis and other injuries suffered in the blast. Both are being held on \$100,000 bail.

Timber has long been the force that has made or broken the local economy. In Mendocino, timber industries provide 4,000 jobs — the county's largest employer. Redwood Summer thus pits those fearing for their livelihoods against those who are adamant that the forests and the rich life they support must be protected from any further damage.

That division is apparent in reactions to this week's event.

"That's wonderful!" James "Bo" Hiatt, a Boonville logging truck driver, said of the bombing and arrests as he tightened chains on a load along U.S. 101. "I think they were carrying that bomb themselves to go and explode it and blame it on some logger."

But the activists' allies expressed anger at the arrests. Citing numerous threats reportedly made in the last few months, they say Bari and Cherney were the targets of an attack by foes of their movement.

'It's a frameup'

Earth First! colleague Greg King said Bari and Cherney "have been in a lot of danger. It's the same thing that happened to the Black Panthers and the American Indian Movement. It's a frameup. The government is trying to stop a mass movement before it gets started."

Cherney, 33, and Bari, 40, have been a pain in the neck to Mendo-

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cino County's political establishment, law officers and the region's three major timber firms — Louisiana Pacific, Georgia Pacific and Pacific Lumber — since 1986.

Bari and Cherney are seen by some as the quintessential "outside agitators," radical newcomers from the big city. Both arrived in the mid-1980s. Cherney's roots are in Manhattan, Bari's in Baltimore.

Cherney took up the cause of the old forests first, in 1986; Bari joined him in 1988.

"We're both the only people we ever met who can't overpower each other," Bari said.

Media wizard

Cherney's adroit handling of the media — he calls dozens of newspapers and TV and radio stations before a demonstration and is on a first-name basis with virtually every environmental reporter in the country — is responsible in considerable part for the national attention focused on California's old-growth forests.

Cherney is also a musician, whose catchy, topical songs ("They Sure Don't Make Hippies Like They Used To") have environmental activists across the United States singing along.

His celebrity has been eclipsed lately by that of Bari, whose background is in union organizing. She recently organized an International Workers of the World chapter at Georgia Pacific.

That put her at loggerheads with Don Nelson of Fort Bragg, business agent for the International Woodworkers of America, Local 3-469.

"There are a lot of people who just don't like her and don't want to hear from Judi any more," said Nelson.

Redwood Summer organizers aim to reproduce the environmen-

tal equivalent of Freedom Summer, the 1964 voter-registration campaign centered in Mississippi that led to the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

That summer was marked by violence — especially the murder of three civil-rights workers near Philadelphia, Miss. Some express fear that Redwood Summer will be a violent one as well.

There have been a number of incidents already:

- Bari and Cherney have reported receiving numerous death threats, and last August, her car was allegedly rammed by a logging truck.

- A woman participating in a demonstration had her nose broken by a logger.

- Greg King was dropped by a punch from a logger during a demonstration at a Louisiana Pacific mill in Calpella.

- On May 8, a pipe bomb exploded at a Louisiana Pacific mill near Cloverdale, Sonoma County.

Ukiah attorney Tim Stoen said he fears Redwood Summer will heighten tensions.

There will be a backlash

Activists are "going to create violence, from a structural point of view," Stoen said. "It's going to be costly to the county and there will be a backlash against activist methods. ... I'm worried that the means are going to swallow up the ends of saving the forest."

As a former member of the Peoples Temple and close aide to Jim Jones, Stoen knows violence. His son, taken to Guyana by Jones, perished in the Jonestown mass suicide of November 1978.

Bari, Cherney and their allies consider Mendocino County, where LP and GP own 800,000 acres of timberland, as the outstanding example of rapacious logging.

"It's all up for sale here, like a big piece of meat," said Tony Morris of Ukiah, a medical technician.

Bari's friend Anna Marie Stenberg, who runs a child-care center in Fort Bragg, said, "They are raping our resource base. That's the whole focus of Redwood Summer, to stop it."

Activists' frustrations

Environmentalists say they are frustrated by official failure to restrain timber companies from cutting down more trees than they're growing. Nothing has worked, they say — not petitions, demonstrations, lawsuits or proposed ordinances. Their current effort is a proposal to levy a county "stumpage tax" on what they calculate to be the county's timber overcut.

Others, especially those working in the timber industry, disagree.

"They've been saying that we were cutting too much all my life," said union official Nelson.

"These people don't know what they're talking about when they say it's all depleted," said Hiatt, the logging truck driver. "There's plenty of timber."

"The workers know there's an overharvest ... but they also know you can't stop harvesting completely. In either scenario, they're going to be out of work," said Walter Smith of Willits, an ex-logger who sold his business last year. Requiring forest practices which ensure a sustained yield of timber is the only way to extricate both sides from the present no-win dilemma, he said.

Redwood Summer "is a protest against exploitation of the working class I am not against the timber industry. I am the timber industry," Smith said. "Judi and Darryl should be looked upon as heroes in this situation."

Jane Kay of The Examiner staff contributed to this report.

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Isa Tweten and Bob Valdez of San Francisco join a few dozen members of the radical environmental group Earth First! Sunday night for a vigil outside Highland Hospital in Oakland to show support for Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, activists who were injured Thursday when a pipe bomb exploded in their car. Bari is recuperating at Highland and was listed in stable

condition late Sunday. Police have accused Bari and Cherney of being injured by an accidental explosion of their own bomb, but their supporters say the two activists were innocent victims, possibly of foes of their anti-logging views. Meanwhile, a handful of environmentalists remained Sunday outside Oakland police headquarters, where Cherney was being held.

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Earth First! mounts vigils

Bomb victims' supporters assail police, camp outside hospital, jail

By Jacqueline Cutler
The Tribune

Holding candles and singing folk songs, supporters of injured Earth First! leader Judi Bari gathered at Highland General Hospital last night as others continued their four-day vigil for jailed Darryl Cherney at the Oakland Police Department.

Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, were injured Thursday morning when a pipe bomb exploded in her car. Bari suffered a broken pelvis and other injuries and was in serious condition in the intensive care unit last night. Cherney's cornea was scratched.

Both were arrested Friday and charged with possessing and transporting an explosive device. They were also booked for possession of a destructive device in a public place. Cherney was also charged with possession of a booby trap.

They are being held on \$100,000 bail each. They are scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday when their lawyers plan to argue for reduced bail.

Supporters of the radical environmentalists continued to insist on Cherney's and Bari's innocence yesterday. Some said they were disgusted by police officers' attitudes of immediately presuming the environmentalists are guilty.

Within an hour of the explosion, the police had affixed the guilt, said Kelpie Wilson, a member of Earth First! and friend of Bari's.

The thought of Bari even contemplating exploding a bomb was implausible to Wilson. "This undermines every-

thing she's trying to do," she said. "She's trying to forge links between labor and environmental movement and the only way to do it is by communication. Judi's been having meetings with some small lumber companies and they were reassuring each other that non-violence is the modus operandi."

Wilson gathered with about 30 others at the hospital. In a closed entrance next to the emergency room, Bari's friends stood tall against the rain. They swayed slightly as they sang "We Shall Overcome," accompanied by acoustic guitar.

They also sang impromptu lyrics such as, "Ain't no Frame-up in that Land Where I'm Bound," and "Judi's Well in that land where I'm bound," and "Darryl's free in that land where I'm bound."

Cherney, however, remained behind bars.

Last night about 20 people remained huddled against the driving rain to show their support for Cherney.

Earlier in the day, passing motorists honked in support. Others donated coffee, a cellular phone and cash. A woman stopped her car, ran out and handed the protesters a \$20 bill, saying, "Keep up the good work."

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Many in the crowd had been in the overhang of the building since the bomb explosion. They slept bundled up in blankets and in sleeping bags.

Asked how long they planned to keep up their show of support, Chris Clarke, 30, of Oakland, said, "Until they get out of jail."

Sue Rahn, 39, of Hayward said she was braving the cold and the rain because as a mother and as a grandmother, "I have two generations to protect."

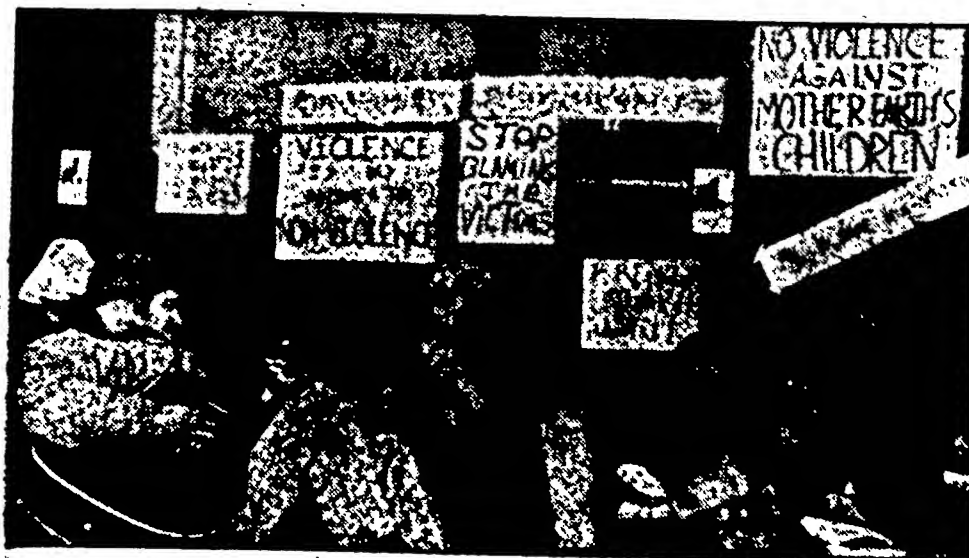
A woman who identified herself as Cedar from Bolinas said, "I think it's atrocious what's going on."

Her husband, Willy, added, "This is the most important thing going on now."

— Staff writer Ramon Coronado contributed to this report

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Red Zinger, left, and Jay Mead, center, play music during the vigil.

By Matthew J. Lee/The Tribune

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Police Say Car Bomb Was in the Back Seat

How Earth First! victims became suspects

By Dean Congbalay
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

The Earth First! leaders who were the victims of a car bomb explosion last week in Oakland became suspects when police concluded that the driver of the car must have seen the pipe bomb behind her seat before it detonated, investigators said yesterday.

A police source said that Judi Bari placed a guitar case on top of the bomb in the back seat of her Subaru station wagon moments before she and Darryl Cherney left a friend's house in Berkeley on Thursday morning. So "we're pretty sure they knew the bomb was there," the source said.

Sources also said yesterday that wire and duct tape similar to those used to make the bomb have been found in Bari's house and Cherney's van. Investigators still did not know yesterday who was the alleged target of the bomb but said they believe the device exploded accidentally.

Friends and supporters of Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, both of Mendocino County, continued to insist that the environmentalists are nonviolent and were the victims of an attempted homicide.

"The notion that Cherney knowingly carried an explosive device is preposterous," said Douglas Horngard, a San Francisco lawyer representing Cherney. "The people who put the bomb in the car were not in the car when the bomb went off."

Bari's attorney, Susan B. Jordan, called the police account "really outrageous." Jordan said police have refused to provide any substantiation to their claim about the placement of the bomb. As for duct tape and wire found in Bari's home, Jordan said Bari is a journeyman carpenter who routinely keeps such items.

Earth First! hopes to hire a private investigator to probe the case, said Brian Gaffney, an Earth First! supporter in San Francisco.

Each of the suspects is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail — Cherney at Oakland City Jail, and Bari at Highland Hospital in Oakland, where she was reported in serious condition yesterday with severe injuries caused by the explosion.

They have been booked on counts of possessing a booby trap and with violating state explosive laws.

The bomb exploded on Thursday as the two were driving to Santa Cruz to promote Redwood Summer, a campaign to prevent the logging of redwoods on the state's North Coast. Earth First!, the militant environmental group that promoted tree-spiking as a way to prevent the sawing of trees, is sponsoring Redwood Summer.

Gaffney said the arrests have mobilized environmentalists around the country. During the weekend, environmentalists pledged to open Redwood Summer offices in Boston, Detroit and New York, he said.

Earth First! also has received offers of help from many environmental and peace groups nationwide, he said. Vigils for Bari and Cherney have been held in cities including Philadelphia, Chicago and Los Angeles. In Ukiah and Fort Bragg, loggers joined environmentalists at a candlelight ceremony, Gaffney said.

About two dozen people attended a vigil for Bari last night in front of Highland Hospital, and outside Oakland police headquarters yesterday, about a dozen environmentalists continued their vigil despite the cold and rain. Parka-

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clad protesters vowed to stay until Cherney is released from jail.

Supporters of Bari and Cherney say sympathizers have brought tofu, organic strawberries, bread, miso soup and other food to the Oakland vigil. Some supporters have donated "a lot of money" to bail Cherney out of jail, Gaffney said.

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OAKLAND (AP) — One of the two members of Earth First! booked in connection with a bomb that exploded in their car was released from jail late Monday after posting bond.

Darryl Cherney, 33, who had been held in lieu of \$100,000 bail, was freed from the city jail at 9:15 p.m., a jail spokeswoman said. Meanwhile, Judi Bari, 40, who suffered a broken pelvis in the blast last week, remained in police custody at Highland Hospital.

The two were booked for investigation of possession and transportation of explosives on Friday, one day after a pipe bomb went off in Bari's station wagon. Cherney suffered minor injuries.

Prosecutors had until this afternoon to file charges against Bari and Cherney or to release them from police custody.

Members of Earth First! insist Bari and Cherney, who reportedly have received threats recently, were the victims of an attempt to harm them and were not deliberately carrying the device themselves.

The group has hired a private investigator, one of its founders said Monday.

"The first thing we noticed was that they (police) were looking only for evidence that would show that Judi and Darryl were guilty rather than looking for the people who did it," said Mike Roselle, a co-founder of Earth First!

San Francisco Bay Area private investigator Sheila O'Donnel already has begun working with Earth First! attorney Susan Jordan, and the environmental group Greenpeace has offered to pay the investigator's fees, Roselle said.

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Earth First! is a loose-knit group of militant environmentalists, some of whom advocate tactics like blockades, tree-sitting and tree-piking to discourage the harvesting of trees.

A round-the-clock vigil held by Earth First! supporters outside Oakland police headquarters ended Monday after officers emerged at 5

a.m. and ordered participants to disperse.

None of the protesters was arrested, police said. They had vowed to maintain the vigil until Bari and Cherney were released.

Several Earth First! supporters maintained a vigil for Bari outside Highland Hospital, where she was in serious condition with a broken pelvis and other injuries.

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Earth First! pair gets own private eye

*Supporters say police missed
evidence in car-bomb explosion*

By Harry Harris
The Tribune

Two leaders of the radical Earth First! environmental movement arrested after a bomb exploded in their car will learn today if criminal possession of explosive charges will be filed against the pair.

Their supporters say they have hired a private investigator to help prove the pair's innocence.

Oakland police will present evidence in the case against Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, to the Alameda County District Attorney's Office which will decide what, if any, formal charges will be filed.

Cherney, who remained in custody yesterday in lieu of \$100,000 bail, is expected to appear in Oakland Municipal Court this afternoon for arraignment. It is believed that Bari, who is still confined to Highland General Hospital for injuries suffered in the Thursday morning blast outside of Oakland High School on Park Boulevard, will be arraigned at the hospital.

Both were arrested for investigation of possessing and transporting an explosive device and possession of an explosive device in a public place. Additionally, Cherney was booked for investigation of possession of a booby trap.

Earth First! co-founder Mike Roselle said the private investigator will look into elements of the case that could have been easily overlooked by Oakland police and the FBI, who along with Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents are the primary agencies investigating.

Roselle charged that authorities immediately assumed Bari and Cherney were the prime suspects in the pipe-bomb explosion that left Bari's car badly damaged.

By doing that, police and the FBI could easily have overlooked evidence at the scene that could corroborate claims by Bari, Cherney and their supporters who say they were the target of an assassination attempt.

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Police Lt. Mike Sims denied emphatically that Bari and Cherney were suspects from the beginning of the probe. He said they were arrested only after an extensive and objective investigation turned up evidence against them.

Law enforcement sources have said evidence indicates Bari knew the bomb was on the back floor of the car since she placed a guitar case over it.

Also, finishing nails loaded into the pipe were found elsewhere in the car as well as in the garage of Bari's Garberville area home, sources have said.

Additionally, duct tape and wire resembling those used in the bomb were found in Cherney's van and in his and Bari's homes, sources said.

Sims said a team of Oakland police investigators will look into "the nature and motivation" of death threats Bari and Cherney have recently received.

Roselle said support for the pair has been growing daily with offers of financial aid coming from environmental and peace groups nationwide. He said Greenpeace is supplying the money to hire the investigator.

Also, he said supporters have come close to raising enough

money to pay Cherney's bail.

Yesterday morning at 5 a.m., a score of supporters who had been part of a group keeping a 24-hour vigil outside the Oakland Police Department at Seventh Street and Broadway were dispersed by police.

Lt. Doug Wright said police had received complaints from citizens "having to walk over them" to get into the police administration building. Also, some of them were illegally sleeping outside the building and trash had started to pile up.

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Earth First! detective to probe bombing

OAKLAND (AP) — The group Earth First! has hired a private investigator to look into a car bomb explosion in which two members of the group were injured and later implicated by police, a member said Monday.

"The first thing we noticed was that they (police) were looking only for evidence that would show that Judi and Darryl were guilty rather than looking for the people who did it," said Mike Roselle, co-founder of the radical environmental group.

San Francisco private investigator Sheila O'Donnel already has begun working with Earth First! attorney Susan Jordan, Roselle said. The environmental group Greenpeace has offered to pay the investigator's fees, he said.

Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, were booked Friday for

investigation of violation of state explosives laws and each held in lieu of \$100,000 bail. The Alameda County District Attorney's Office has until 4 p.m. today to file charges against Bari and Cherney if the two are to remain in police custody.

A pipe bomb went off in Bari's station wagon as the two were driving through Oakland on Thursday, injuring both.

Earth First! is a loose-knit group of militant environmentalists, some of whom advocate tactics such as blockades, tree-sitting and tree-spiking to discourage the harvesting of trees.

A round-the-clock vigil held by Earth First! supporters outside Oakland police headquarters ended Monday after officers emerged at 5 a.m. and ordered participants to disperse.

None of the protesters was arrested, police said.

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— Mike Roselle, Earth First! co-founder

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1 of Earth First! pair suspected of transporting bomb bailed out

Group hires private detective to try to clear injured two

By Elizabeth Fernandez
and Bill Boldenweck
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

OAKLAND — Darryl Cherney, the environmental activist injured in a bomb explosion last Thursday and later arrested on suspicion of carrying explosives, has been freed from Oakland city jail on \$100,000 bond.

Meanwhile, a private detective has been brought in by Earth First! in hopes of clearing Cherney and Judi Bari, two leaders of the radical environmental group who are under suspicion of carrying the pipe bomb that detonated in their car last week.

Officials at the jail said Cherney was bailed out at 9:15 p.m. Monday, but refused to give further details.

Friends of Cherney and Bari, who was seriously injured in the explosion, had been working furiously since Cherney was booked Thursday night to raise the bail money, but whether they put up cash bail or paid 10 percent for a bail bond wasn't immediately known.

The bomb exploded Thursday in a car driven by Bari, 40, an outspoken Earth First! member. He and passenger Cherney, 33, were reportedly driving to Santa Cruz to rally support for a summer campaign to stop the cutting of

old-growth timber in Northern California.

Both Bari and Cherney were injured in the blast near Oakland High School. They were booked for investigation of violating state explosives laws.

Alameda County authorities said Tuesday they had not finished reviewing evidence against Cherney and Bari to determine whether formal charges will be filed against them.

Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said, "We want to wait for results of additional laboratory tests before taking further appropriate action."

Carpenter said the lab tests could take as long as two weeks to complete. Attorneys for Cherney and Bari weren't available for comment on the new delay.

Bari is still in stable condition at Highland Hospital with pelvic and internal injuries.

Defenders of Bari and Cherney have adamantly insisted that the two Earth First! leaders were innocent victims of the car bomb.

On Saturday, private investigator Sheila O'Donnell was hired on the recommendation of Greenpeace, another environmental group. Greenpeace will pay the investigator's fees, said Mike Roselle, a co-founder of Earth First!

"We're worried about the destruction of evidence," Roselle said Monday. "They (police) are looking for evidence that would find them guilty, not evidence that would find them innocent. That's why we have to have this investigation monitored."

Authorities have said the bomb was placed in the back seat of Bari's white Subaru directly behind the driver's seat and under a guitar case and other luggage.

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**Earth First! Member
Released on Bail**

■ OAKLAND — Darryl Cherney, one of two members of the radical environmental group Earth First! injured in a car bomb blast late last week, was released last night from Oakland City Jail on \$100,000 bail raised from supporters.

Cherney and fellow Earth First! member Judi Bari were injured when a pipe bomb exploded in Bari's car Thursday. Bari was still in Highland Hospital under police custody.

Police allege the two environmentalists were transporting the bomb when it exploded accidentally, seriously injuring them. Both were arrested on charges of violating state explosives laws.

The two and their allies have vigorously denied the charges, and Earth First! has hired local private investigator Sheila O'Donnell to probe the bomb blast. Mike Roselle, an Earth First! co-founder, said the environmental group Greenpeace has offered to pay the investigator's fees.

Cherney was tentatively scheduled to appear in Oakland Municipal Court this afternoon on the charges.

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Charges still unfiled in car bombing

Evidence barred to defense till there's a case

By Andy Furillo
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Two environmental militants injured and then arrested when a bomb blew up in their car last week have taken the initiative against law enforcement authorities who, for now, are declining to file criminal charges in the case.

Lawyers for wounded Earth First! organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney moved Tuesday to gain access to evidence compiled by investigators in last Thursday's explosion near Oakland High School in the hope of proving their clients are attempted-murder victims rather than bomb-toting criminals.

In a courtroom packed with Earth First! supporters and journalists, Oakland Municipal Judge Judith Ford declined to entertain the oral motion to examine the evidence. The motion was offered by attorney Susan B. Jordan on behalf of Bari and Cherney.

No case, no motion

Ford ruled that with no charges filed, no case was pending, so no motion could be heard.

With authorities focusing on Cherney and Bari as suspects in the case, Jordan argued that defense attorneys were "in a superior position to examine the evidence" for its possible connection to an attempted-murder case.

"We have only one interest at heart — to apprehend the individual who had some malice of intent when he placed this bomb in the car," Jordan told the judge.

Cherney, wearing a black patch over his left eye, attended the court proceeding backed up by 75 or so Earth First! activists and supporters, many of whom wore duct tape around their arms. The tape was displayed in sarcastic reference to one of the items seized from Cherney's home in a police search for evidence linking him to the blast.

Outside court, Cherney blasted Oakland police investigators, saying they refused to consider the possibility he and Bari, who say they were the recipients of many death threats in recent months, were targeted for assassination.

"If this is how they treat known environmental activists, can you imagine how they treat the disenfranchised people of Oakland?" Cherney told a group of reporters. "It's absolutely outrageous. It represents only one thing: evil unmatched."

He also took issue with the competence of Oakland police, saying, "I don't think they have it together enough to go out and find the real would-be killer."

Cherney strongly suggested that corporate logging interests were behind last Thursday's bombing. He said that he, Bari and others had been "tremendously successful" in organizing the coming "Redwood Summer" protest against the cutting of old-growth timber along the north coast of California.

"It's quite possible," Cherney said, "that this was a strong message that someone was trying to send to scare people away."

Logging industry spokesmen have denied any responsibility for the blast.

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No charges were filed Tuesday, with prosecutors saying they awaited laboratory analysis of evidence.

The nonpending case was continued at defense request until June 18. Jordan said the team of defense attorneys had asked for the continuance so Bari, who is in stable condition at Highland Hospital in Oakland with injuries suffered in the explosion, could continue to receive police protection.

It allows Cherney to "preserve" his \$100,000 bond so he doesn't have to come up with the money again if charges actually are filed and he is rearrested, Jordan said.

In addition, the continuance al-

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Barry Cherny, seated, with attorney Susan Jordan, awaits arraignment Tuesday in Oakland Municipal Court, but it never came.

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ROB MORSE

Rain, rain, make my day



IT'S GETTING pretty tiresome to hear Earth First! people grandiosely compare themselves to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the crusade for civil rights in the South. But it probably is most

tiresome to Presiding Oakland Municipal Judge Horace Wheatley. He hiked the bail for Earth First's Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney to \$100,000 in the case of the mysterious bomb that blew up in their car. Their attorney, Mervin N. Cherrin, said he thought the way bail was handled was outrageous. "I worked in the South during the '60s, and that's the closest thing I've seen to this," Judge Wheatley is black and was a freedom rider in the South during the civil rights movement.

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D.A. delays decision in car bombing

Earth First! members mock police evidence

By Barry Witt

Mercury News Oakland Bureau

OAKLAND — Authorities did not have enough evidence Tuesday to charge two radical environmentalists suspected of accidentally blowing up their car last week, giving new momentum to the pair's contention that police botched the case by arresting them rather than chasing their attackers.

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office said it would await FBI laboratory examinations of evidence before deciding whether to file the criminal bombing charges that Oakland police are seeking against activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, leaders of the group Earth First!

The two were injured Thursday when a pipe bomb exploded as they drove past Oakland High School. Oakland police have maintained that Bari and Cherney were transporting the bomb when it accidentally detonated.

S. Bari, 40, remained hospitalized in stable condition Tuesday, and Cherney, 34, was freed after supporters posted a \$100,000 bond late Monday. Although technically free, both elected to have the case postponed until June 18 instead of dropped, for bail and security reasons.

Oakland police said Tuesday's setback did not mean that they believe that Bari and Cherney were attacked, as they and their supporters contend.

"The district attorney's office and the police department are still looking at Bari and Cherney as the suspects in the case," police Lt. Mike Sims said.

Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter declined to say whether he expected that charges would ever be filed.

"We're (postponing) it to get all the evidence in," Carpenter said. Other than that, I don't want to comment on anything."

Cherney said Tuesday that he was angered police didn't investigate threats against his life before last week's explosion. He said he believes that someone is out to get him.

Both Bari and Cherney have said timber interests would like them dead because of their involvement in planning the coming "Redwood Summer" series of protests against tree cutting on the North Coast.

"I don't appreciate the fact that we're being persecuted rather than being protected," Cherney said. "If the Oakland Police Department is so incompetent that they can think about charging Judi Bari and myself with the crime, are they competent enough to go out and find the would-be assassin?"

Maintains innocence

Cherney maintained his innocence at a press conference following a court hearing Tuesday but declined to discuss specifics of the case on the advice of his attorney.

Wearing a patch over his injured left eye, he said he believed that his life continued to be in danger. But he said he would continue to stay in the limelight to promote "Redwood Summer."

Police reportedly found evidence linking the pair to the bomb after searching Bari's and Cherney's homes in Mendocino County. A Berkeley house that the pair visited last week was also searched.

The search warrants said police were looking for, among other things, "large finishing nails," similar to ones reportedly in the pipe bomb.

Wire, tape seized

At the Berkeley house, police took away electrical wire, duct tape and a package of unopened Duracell batteries.

At the packed Oakland Municipi-

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pal Court hearing Tuesday afternoon, Cherney's supporters adorned themselves with duct tape on their sleeves to mock what they consider to be the authorities' flimsy evidence: common household items.

"Who doesn't have duct tape?" supporter Carol O'Neil asked.

Attorneys for Bari and Cherney had requested the hearing. Each of them sought to have the case formally postponed until June 18 rather than dropped in anticipation of charges being filed at a later date.

Had the case been dropped entirely for now, as the district attorney had intended, Cherney would have had to post another bond to stay out of jail if he were rearrested. His supporters have already lost \$10,000 — the 10 percent needed to pay a bail bondsman to free him this week.



Eugene Louis — Mercury News

IN COURT — Earth First! member Barry Cherney watches his lawyer, Susan B. Jordan, as she asks the judge to release evidence to the environmental group's investigators.

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Earth First! Prosecutor Asks Delay

Criminal charges against
bomb victims in question

By Sharon McCormick
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

In an unexpected move, Alameda County prosecutors postponed a decision yesterday on whether to file charges against Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, who were arrested last week in Oakland after a bomb exploded in Bari's car.

Prosecutors had scheduled an arraignment for yesterday, but Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said he wanted more time to review evidence in the case before deciding whether to charge Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, in connection with the blast Thursday that injured them, Bari seriously.

"I just want to have all the facts before we make a decision," Carpenter said after a brief hearing in Oakland Municipal Court, where Cherney appeared in a courtroom packed with his environmentalist supporters.

Judge Judith Ford set the arraignment date for June 18 at the request of Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan.

After the hearing, Cherney held a news conference where he maintained his innocence in the bombing incident and lambasted his treatment by police after his arrest Friday.

"Of course I'm innocent," Cherney told reporters. "I'm scared to death of explosives. I've never even lit a firecracker in my life."

The curly-haired, bearded environmentalist refused to comment in details of the bombing, but said he and Bari were the victims of an "assassination attempt" because of their recent campaign to unionize

timber workers in the northern part of the state.

He blamed Oakland police investigators for mistreatment during questioning, calling them "evil unleashed."

"I don't appreciate the fact we are being persecuted instead of protected," Cherney said, sipping from a plastic bottle of mineral water and wearing a black eye

patch as a result of minor injuries he received from the blast.

He contended that he and Bari have received death threats because of their radical anti-logging stance, but he did not say who he suspects is responsible for the attack.

"I am not going to speculate on who it is at this time," he said.

Attorney Jordan called the charges pending against her client groundless but agreed to the court continuance yesterday to ensure Bari's continued police protection at Highland Hospital where she is recovering from a broken pelvis.

Jordan was denied a request to review evidence in the case to conduct her own investigation into the bombing.

"We feel that Judi and Darryl are subjects of attempted murder," Jordan told the judge in arguing for access to the evidence in the case. "The tracks may be getting cold."

Supporters of Cherney and Bari saw the delay as a sign the case against the two leaders of the militant environmental group may be sinking.

"As bolsterous and cocky as they (the police) were from the moment they showed up on the scene, this represents a reversal in their strategy," said Mike Roselle, an Earth First! co-founder. "They (Bari and Cherney) have been convicted in the media before they've been charged in the courts."

When the bomb exploded Thursday, Bari and Cherney were riding in her Subaru station wagon. They were traveling to Santa Cruz to promote Redwood Summer, a campaign to prevent logging of redwoods on the state's North Coast.

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The two were booked Friday on suspicion of possessing and transporting explosives. Police said they suspect that Bari and Cherney were transporting a pipe bomb and the device accidentally exploded.

Oakland police investigators denied that the delay means that prosecutors lack enough evidence to bring charges against Bari and Cherney. "He (Carpenter) just wants time to look at all the evidence," said police Lieutenant Mike Sims.

According to investigators, the evidence includes items collected from the bomb scene and during police searches of Bari's and Cherney's homes in Mendocino County, Cherney's van and homes of friends in Oakland and Berkeley.

Carpenter said it could take up to two weeks for results of lab tests on evidence to reach his desk.

Earth First! has hired Bay Area private investigator Sheila O'Donnell and a team of explosives experts to probe the incident.

Bari remained in traction in stable condition at Highland Hospital yesterday. She has asked to be kept in protective custody because she reportedly is fearful for her life.

"We are very apprehensive," said her mother, Ruth Bari. "Someone has been trying to hurt my daughter."

Earth First! has advocated controversial and sometimes extreme measures, including tree-spiking, to prevent logging, mining and real estate development.

Chronicle staff writer Elliot Dirlinger contributed to this report

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Bomb charge delayed in Earth First! case

By Harry Harris
Paul Grabowicz
and Robert J. Lopez
The Tribune

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office yesterday postponed a decision on filing criminal charges against two Earth First! leaders injured in a car bomb blast, although prosecutors said the two are still considered suspects in the case.

Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said his office is awaiting completion of labora-

tory tests on the pipe bomb and further investigation before deciding whether to charge the two activists, Darryl Cherney, 33, and Judi Bari, 40, with possession and transportation of an explosive device.

The bomb is being checked, sources said, to determine if its components match nails, duct tape and wire that Oakland police found in searches of the two activists' houses and vehicles. A

court date is scheduled for June 16 when prosecutors will decide whether to arraign Cherney and Bari.

Cherney and other Earth First! members expressed relief yesterday at the news they were not being charged, and they criticized police and the FBI for treating the pair as suspects and not victims.

"I don't appreciate the fact that we are being persecuted rather than protected," Cherney told a throng of reporters and booing supporters outside Oakland Municipal Court where a hearing was held in the case.

"There have been many death threats. I find it very disconcerting that the FBI and Oakland police never asked me who could have done it," Cherney said.

Many of the 75 or so supporters gathered outside the court

hugged Cherney and each other, saying the decision not to press charges was a victory.

Later, at last night's Oakland City Council meeting, three representatives of Earth First! asked the council to look into the police investigation of the bombing.

Mayor Lionel Wilson said such an inquiry was not within the

council's jurisdiction. But council member Wilson Riles Jr., one of Wilson's challengers for the mayoral spot, said he would be interested in getting a report from the police because the council had done so in several similar cases in the past.

Council member Leo Bazile, another mayoral candidate, said that as an attorney he didn't want the investigation "thrown around in a political situation."

Cherney and Bari were injured in the 11:50 a.m. Thursday blast that ripped apart their car while they were driving near Oakland High School. The pair have been spearheading an Earth First! campaign against logging interests in Mendocino and Humboldt counties and were in the Eastbay to drum up support for their protest.

They were arrested early Friday on suspicion of transporting the bomb, and the district attorney had until yesterday to file charges or have them released.

Police Lt. Mike Sims said investigators now will be comparing what was found at different search warrant sites to the recovered bomb components.

"Much of the evidence compares on its face but it still needs analysis to confirm," he said.

"The case could get stronger with scientific analysis."

Carpenter emphasized that authorities "have not ruled out filing charges" against Bari and Cherney in the future. The statute of limitations in such a case is three years.

Cherney already was free after posting \$100,000 bail, while Bari remains at Highland General Hospital recovering from injuries she suffered in the explosion. She is listed in stable condition and is under police guard.

Earth First! members, supporters and their attorneys predicted the evidence would vindicate Cherney and Bari.

"We believe the charges are groundless," said Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, who yesterday represented her client and Cherney in court.

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During the courtroom proceeding, Jordan argued that the defense team should have access to the remains of the bomb and other physical evidence, saying that is needed to find the "real killer."

"Our intent is to get to the evidence very early," she told Judge Judith Ford. "The tracks may be getting cold."

Jordan said a team of "national bomb experts" has been hired

to help with the defense's investigation.

Ford declined to grant the request, saying she lacked the authority to order police and FBI investigators to turn over any evidence being analyzed.

The standing-room-only hearing was packed with Cherney supporters. Many of them wore duct tape around their biceps, symbolizing what they say is a lack of police evidence.

Outside the courtroom, Jordan called Ford's decision "unfair" and said she would research options to gain access to the evidence.

Cherney vowed to press on with his environmental crusade while the investigations continue.

"I will be willing to risk my life over and over again in defense of Mother Earth," Cherney said. "Our hearts are with the forest Our hearts are with the brown bears and the spotted owl."

Cherney and Bari supporters also have hired a private investigator to look into the case. The investigator declined comment, saying it was premature to discuss the case.

Sources said the evidence against Cherney and Bari includes a bag of nails found in the

car in which the bomb exploded, as well as duct tape and wire found at Bari's home, at Cherney's house in the Garberville area and in a van he owned.

Sources said the items were similar to the nails, tape and wire used in the bomb.

The duct tape bound the nails together and attached them to the pipe so when it exploded there would be a shrapnel effect similar to an anti-personnel device, sources said.

But Pam Davis, an Earth First! member, said it was not unusual that Bari would have nail, tape and wire because she is a carpenter. Bari also used duct tape on Earth First! posters, Davis said.

Cherney has dismissed the evidence, saying, "Everybody keeps tools in their car."

Police sources also have said Bari must have seen the bomb because she placed a guitar case on top of it when she got into the car the morning of the blast.

But Davis said Bari's car was a "living office" so cluttered with boxes, papers, clothes and other items that she easily could have overlooked the bomb.

San Francisco FBI representative Duke Diedrich said the laboratory tests on the bomb will try to determine exactly where



Darryl Cherney
Feels persecuted

it was in the car, how it detonated, where it was made or purchased and whether there are fingerprints, hair fragments or other evidence that can identify who made or carried it.

Meanwhile, the FBI is continuing to investigate reports of threats made against Cherney and Bari and the possibility that the bomb was planted in the car, Diedrich said.

"We are examining every possibility and we don't rule anything out," Diedrich said.

Authorities also are looking into whether the Oakland incident is connected to the bombing of a Cloverdale lumber yard on May 8 or last month's sabotage of Pacific Gas and Electric Co. utility towers in Santa Cruz.

"So far we haven't been able to connect the Santa Cruz thing, the Cloverdale incident or the threats to any of this, but we're still investigating," Diedrich said.

Earth First! members insist Bari and Cherney and the vast majority of their supporters are non-violent and would not take part in bombings.

But some members of the group have been involved in sabotage and vandalism of logging companies, utilities and cattle ranches, according to police.

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Anonymous letter claims responsibility in Oakland bombing

San Francisco Chronicle

UKIAH. — The writer of an anonymous letter delivered Wednesday to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat claimed responsibility for placing pipe bombs that injured two Earth First! environmental activists in Oakland and exploded outside a Cloverdale mill. The letter, delivered to the Ukiah office of Mendocino County bureau chief Mike Geniella, includes specific details about the construction and placement of the bomb that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Barry Cherney last week.

It also provides accurate details matching never-disclosed information about a bomb that blew up May 9 outside a Cloverdale lumber mill.

"I built with these hands the bomb that I placed in the car of Judi Bari," the letter begins.

The three-page, single-space typed document was turned over to the FBI on Wednesday afternoon.

"We would like to have it analyzed, along with all the other evidence," said John Rikes, leader of the FBI's team of investigators. "You've obviously got a piece of evidence that we're interested in."

The letter surfaced in a climate of fear and suspicion on the North Coast, spawned by preparations for "Redwood Summer" protests against timber company logging and reports of numerous anonymous death threats against protest leaders, including Bari and Cherney.

The letter also threatens anyone who may participate in the planned Redwood Summer timber protests, a planned series of demonstrations and civil disobedience aimed at slowing the pace of logging in timber country.

"Now all who would come to the forests and worship trees like gilded idols have been warned. They have seen the Fate that awaits them," the letter said.

Coincidentally on Wednesday, efforts to calm nerves were announced in Ukiah by a coalition of loggers, timber operators and environmentalists. The coalition agreed on guidelines designed to prevent violence this summer.

The anonymous author of the letter outlines grievances against Bari and explains in minute detail the construction of the two bombs.

The writer claims to have been driven by religious zeal and anger at Bari's opposition to anti-abortion protesters and subsequent opposition to timber cutting.

"I am the Lord's avenger," the writer said.

The letter, neatly typed and liberally sprinkled with biblical quotations, was addressed to Geniella and delivered to his Ukiah office by the postal service Wednesday morning.

It bore no return address and was postmarked Tuesday out of the North Bay regional mail facility in Petaluma.

That postmark is placed on all letters mailed in an area from Sausalito to Eureka, a Postal Service spokesman said Wednesday.

Oakland police said Bari and Cherney were knowingly carrying the bomb when it blew up inside their car on the morning of May 24.

But the Alameda County district attorney on Tuesday refused to file charges against the two Earth First! members, saying that not enough evidence had been compiled to support a case.

Prosecutor Chris Carpenter said charges may be filed in a few weeks.

The FBI, which is investigating along with Oakland police, refused to comment Wednesday on the letter's authenticity.

Sonoma County Sheriff's Department bomb expert Larry Sheets said some details in the letter match what was left of a bomb that partly detonated May 9 at the Louisiana-Pacific mill in Cloverdale.

That information about the bomb has never been disclosed, and the Press Democrat agreed to

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honor the FBI's request that details about the bombs not be published until the agency has analyzed its evidence.

The letter's first rambling page describes the writer's anger at Bari, which was spawned last year when she and other activists staged a counter-demonstration against anti-abortion advocates outside an abortion clinic in Ukiah.

After the abortion rally, Bari again came to the attention of the writer with her campaign against logging on the North Coast, the

letter says.

"This possessed demon Judi Bari spread her Poison to tell the Multitude that trees were not God's gift to Man but that trees were themselves gods and it was a Sin to cut them," he writes.

"I felt the Power of the Lord stir within my Heart and I knew I had been Chosen to strike down this Demon."

He said he planted a bomb outside the Cloverdale mill "to bring infamy down on Judi Bari."

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Letter writer claims role in bombing

Probers in Earth First! case examining note

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTA ROSA — Investigators are studying a letter to a newspaper claiming responsibility for the pipe bomb that injured two environmental activists in Oakland last week.

The Santa Rosa Press Democrat reported in its Thursday editions that the three-page letter from a writer signed only "the Lord's avenger" also claimed responsibility for a Sonoma County blast earlier this month.

Darryl Cherney, 33, and Judi Bari, 40, organizers of the Earth First! environmental group, were injured last week when a pipe bomb exploded in their car near Park and MacArthur boulevards.

The single-space typed message was delivered to the Ukiah office of the newspaper's Mendocino County bureau chief, Mike Geniella.

It includes specific details about the construction and placement of the bomb that injured Bari and Cherney last week, the newspaper reported.

"I built with these Hands the bomb that I placed in the car of Judi Bari," the letter begins.

Sonoma County Sheriff's Department bomb expert Larry Sheets said the letter also contained details that match a bomb that went off earlier this month at a Louisiana-Pacific mill in Cloverdale.

The letter was turned over to the FBI Wednesday afternoon.

"We would like to have it analyzed, along with all the other evidence," John Rikes, leader of the FBI's team of investigators, said Wednesday. "You've obviously got a piece of evidence that we're interested in."

Rikes noted that details about the bombs "could be taken straight out of 'The Anarchist's Cookbook,'" which includes information about how to make explosives out of household items.

The newspaper agreed to the FBI's request that details about the bombs not be published until evidence in the case is studied further.

The anonymous author claims to have been driven by religious zeal and anger at Bari's opposition to anti-abortion protesters and subsequent opposition to timber cutting.

Bari and Cherney are leaders in the "Redwood Summer," a planned series of demonstrations and civil disobedience aimed at slowing the pace of logging in timber country.

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"I am the Lord's avenger," the writer concluded.

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Cherney was released after posting \$100,000 bail and Bari remains hospitalized.

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Pipe bomb blast claim sent to paper

By The Tribune staff and news services

SANTA ROSA — A newspaper has received a letter from a writer identified only as "the Lord's avenger" that claims responsibility for the pipe bomb explosion that injured two Earth First! activists in Oakland.

The Santa Rosa Press Democrat said in today's editions that

the letter also said the writer was responsible for a bomb that went off May 9 in Cloverdale.

The three-page, single-space typed message provides accurate details matching never-disclosed information about the bomb in Cloverdale, according to Sonoma County Sheriff's Department bomb expert Larry Sheets. The letter claims the Cloverdale bomb, which partially detonated at the Louisiana-Pacific mill, was planted to throw suspicion on Earth First! activist Judi Bari.

It includes specific details about the construction and placement of the bomb that injured Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, last Thursday morning as they drove in front of Oakland High School, according to the Press Democrat. The bomb was placed in Bari's car while she was attending a meeting in Ukiah a week ago Tuesday, according to the letter.

"I built with these Hands the bomb that I placed in the car of Judi Bari," the letter begins.

The letter was turned over to the FBI yesterday afternoon.

"We would like to have it analyzed, along with all the other evidence," said John Rikes, leader of the FBI's team of investigators. "You've obviously got a piece of evidence that we're interested in."

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Oakland police arrested Bari and Cherney, saying they knowingly carried the bomb when it blew up inside their car on the morning of May 24. Police also said that duct tape, wire and finishing nails used in the bomb were similar to those found in Cherney's van and his home. But the Alameda County district attorney on Tuesday refused to file charges against the two Earth First! members, saying that not enough evidence had been compiled to support a case. Prosecutor Chris Carpenter said charges may be filed in a few weeks, pending the results of FBI tests.

Cherney was released after posting \$100,000 bail and Bari remains hospitalized at Highland General Hospital in Oakland with facial and pelvis injuries.

In an interview published yesterday in The Tribune, Cherney said the whole idea that he and Bari would be carrying a bomb was preposterous: "To do such a thing would be the height of stupidity."

He said of the police and FBI investigation, "All those theories are so illogical and inconsistent with the non-violent civil disobedience work we've done over the years."

The letter describes the writer's anger at Bari, which was spawned last year when she and other activists staged a counter-demonstration against anti-abortion advocates outside an abortion clinic in Ukiah.

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"This woman is possessed of the Devil," the writer says. "The Lord cleared my vision and revealed this unto me outside the Baby-Killing Clinic when Judi Bari smote with Satan's words the humble and Faithful servants of the Lord who had come there to make witness against Abortion."

In a statement released yesterday by Earth First!, Bari urged environmental activists to not let the bombing deter them from participating in the upcoming "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protests.

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Note Confesses To Earth First! Bombing Case

By Charles Burreas
and Elliot Dirlinger
Chronicle Staff Writers

An anonymous letter has claimed responsibility for the car bomb that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney last week, it was reported yesterday.

The letter, delivered to a reporter's office in Ukiah, also claimed responsibility for a bomb that exploded outside a Cloverdale mill on May 9.

The letter, which is said to contain details about the bombs that have not been made public, is sprinkled with biblical references and criticizes Bari for her opposition to anti-abortion protesters and to logging. It was delivered by mail to the Ukiah office of the Mendocino County bureau chief of the Santa Rosa Press Democrat.

Bari and Cherney are key organizers of Redwood Summer, a campaign to recruit college students to the North Coast this summer to stop the cutting of old-growth redwoods. The bomb blew up in their car in Oakland as they were on their way to recruit support at the University of California at Santa Cruz. Bari was seriously injured with a fractured pelvis and internal injuries, and Cherney suffered an eye injury.

Oakland police said the pair were knowingly transporting the bomb and booked on criminal charges, but the Alameda County district attorney's office balked at filing charges in court on Tuesday, saying it needed more time to await lab tests. Supporters of the pair staged vigils and vehemently

denied their guilt.

"I built with these Hands the bomb that I placed in the car of Judi Bari," begins the letter, as quoted in a story set to run in today's editions of the Press Democrat.

The neatly typed, three-page, single-spaced document also warns against attending the Redwood Summer protest.

"Now all who would come to the forests and worship trees like gilded Idols have been Warned. They have seen the Fate that awaits them," the letter said.

The letter writer claimed to be the "the Lord's avenger."

The Press Democrat refused to release the full contents of the document.

"It is our letter and some of the information we'd like to have to do some work on," the newspaper's executive news editor, Bob Swoford, said last night.

The letter was given to the FBI yesterday, and FBI officials told the Press Democrat that they could not comment on the letter's authenticity.

Petaluma Postmark

The letter, which had no return address, was postmarked Tuesday out of the North Bay regional mail facility in Petaluma, a postmark placed on all mail in an area from Sausalito to Eureka, a Postal Service spokesman said. It was delivered yesterday morning to the office of the paper's Mendocino County bureau chief, Mike Geniella, who has been covering timber industry issues, including the Earth First! protests and plans for Redwood Summer.

The letter contained details about the placement and the construction of the bomb that went

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off in the car, the Press Democrat reported.

Details in the letter also match what was left of a bomb that partially detonated May 9 at a Louisiana-Pacific mill in Cloverdale, according to a Sonoma County Sheriff's Department bomb expert quoted by the Press Democrat. The letter told about a mixture of gas and oil that was meant to start a fire but did not, the Press Democrat reported.

Some of the information about the Cloverdale bomb has never been disclosed, the paper said.

Anti-Abortion

Part of the letter's wrath apparently was aroused by Bari's participation in a protest against anti-abortion demonstrators.

"The Lord cleared my vision and revealed this unto me outside the Baby-Killing Clinic when Judi Bari smote with Satan's words the

humble and Faithful servants of the Lord who had come there to make witness against Abortion," it said.

The letter also referred to leadership in Redwood Summer planning: "This possessed demon Judi Bari spread her Poison to tell the Multitude that trees were not God's gift to Man but that trees were themselves gods and it was a Sin to cut them. I felt the Power of the Lord stir within my Heart and I knew I had been Chosen to strike down this Demon."

Reached for comment last night, Cherney said: "The authenticity of this letter has not been verified. Until more facts are in, I can't really comment."

Earth First! co-founder Mike Roselle said he was skeptical about the letter.

Chronicle wire services also contributed to this report

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Letter claims Earth First! bombing

'Lord's avenger' cites activist's political activities as motive

Associated Press

SANTA ROSA — The Santa Rosa Press Democrat has received a letter from a writer identified only as "the Lord's avenger" that claims responsibility for the pipebomb explosion that injured two Earth First! activists in Oakland.

The letter includes specific details about the construction and placement of the bomb that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Barry Cherney last week, according to the newspaper.

"I built with these Hands the bomb that I placed in the car of Judi Bari," the letter begins.

The anonymous author claims to have been driven by religious zeal and anger at Bari's opposition to anti-abortion protesters and subsequent opposition to timber cutting. "I am the Lord's avenger," the writer said.

The newspaper said in Thursday's editions that the letter also said the writer was responsible for a bomb that went off outside a Cloverdale mill.

The three-page, single-space typed message provided accurate details matching never-disclosed information about the bomb that blew up May 9 in Cloverdale, the paper said.

The letter was delivered to the Ukiah office of the newspaper's Mendocino County Bureau Chief, Mike Geniella and then turned over to the FBI Wednesday afternoon.

"We would like to have it analyzed, along with all the other evidence," said John Rikes, leader of the FBI's team of investigators. "You've obviously got a piece of evidence that we're interested in."

The letter, which was sprinkled with biblical quotes, was addressed to Geniella and delivered to his Ukiah office by the postal service Wednesday morning.

It bore no return address and was postmarked Tuesday out of the North Bay regional mail facility in Petaluma. That postmark is placed on all letters mailed in an area from Sausalito to Eureka, a Postal Service spokesman said.

Oakland police arrested Bari and Cherney, saying they knowingly carried the bomb when it blew up inside their car on the morning of May 24. But the Alameda County district attorney on Tuesday refused to file charges against the two Earth

First! members, saying that not enough evidence had been compiled to support a case. Prosecutor Chris Carpenter said charges may be filed in a few weeks.

Cherney was released after posting \$100,000 bail, and Bari remains hospitalized.

Sonoma County Sheriff's Department bomb expert Larry Sheets said some details in the letter match what was left of a bomb that partially detonated at the Louisiana-Pacific mill in Cloverdale. That information about the bomb has never been disclosed.

The letter describes the writer's anger at Bari, which was spawned last year when she and other activists staged a counter-demonstration against anti-abortion advocates outside an abortion clinic in Ukiah.

"This woman is possessed of the Devil," the writer says.

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New facts cast doubt on letter

By Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

Information surfaced yesterday questioning the claims of an anonymous letter writer who took responsibility for the bomb that exploded and injured two Earth First! activists in Oakland last week.

The person, who called himself "the Lord's avenger" in a letter to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat on Wednesday, said the bomb was in retaliation for the pro-abortion and anti-logging work of one of the activists, Judi Bari.

He said he put the bomb in Bari's car while she was at a 4½-hour meeting at Dan's Frontier Room restaurant in Willits on the evening of May 22.

But people who were with Bari at the Willits meeting and other sources told The Tribune:

■ Bari and three other people got into her car after the Willits meeting and none of them saw the bomb.

Authorities have said the bomb that exploded two days later apparently was on the floor behind Bari's seat. But one person at the Willits meeting said he got into the seat behind Bari, placed his feet on the floor and no bomb was there.

■ During the time the letter writer claims he planted the device, Bari's car was parked on the street next to a lamp post and in front of a picture window of the restaurant.

■ The car also was only about 100 feet from the Willits police department, where an officer was on duty that night.

"It is a well lit area and in relatively easy view of the po-

lice department and the restaurant, which has large windows right there," said Willits Police Chief Robert Foster.

Foster said no one reported seeing anything suspicious near Bari's car that night.

■ One of the people in the restaurant went to the car several times that evening to make sure nothing had been stolen, and he noticed nothing unusual.

■ When Bari drove her car to Oakland the next day, a person who went with her said he packed the car and did not see any bomb.

Some law enforcement sources said they suspect the letter may be an attempt to divert attention from whomever really was responsible for the blast, which injured Bari and fellow activist Darryl Cherney.

Cherney told The Tribune yesterday that he, too, doubts the authenticity of the letter.

Authorities have said they suspect Bari and Cherney were transporting the bomb when it accidentally detonated, but the pair have denied that. Prosecutors this week delayed deciding whether to charge them.

Authorities said they also are continuing to look into the possibility that the pair, who have received death threats, were the targets of the bomb. And police said they have not yet dismissed the letter claiming responsibility for the attack as a hoax.

The letter writer described in accurate detail the bomb and another device that exploded at a Cloverdale lumber office on May 9, sources said. The letter stated what color wire was used in the devices and the exact proportions of a gasoline mixture in the Cloverdale bomb, sources said.

"There is enough detail in it that we're looking at it very seriously," said Bruce Mawn, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's San Francisco office.

The letter and fragments of both bombs now are being sent to the FBI laboratory in Wash-

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Cherney dedicates concert to injured activist

By Robert J. Lopez
The Tribune

BERKELEY — An emotional Darryl Cherney last night performed in concert here, dedicating the show to fellow Earth First! activist Judi Bari one week after a pipe bomb ripped through their car.

Bari, 40, remains hospitalized at Highland General Hospital in Oakland with injuries to her face and pelvis received in the blast. Cherney is free on \$100,000 bail after he was arrested last Friday on suspicion of possessing and transporting an explosive device.

At the start of last night's concert, Cherney recalled how Bari organized lumber mill workers and environmentalists in Mendocino County in a united effort to stop the "accelerated cutting of ancient redwoods."

"Only one person so far has been able to pull that off, and her name is Judi Bari," said Cherney, tears rolling down his face. "That's the kind of woman that Judi Bari is."

Cherney, his voice shaking, then paused momentarily as he was hugged by two women on the stage. He opened the performance with what

he said was Bari's favorite tune, "Where Are We Going to Work When the Trees Are Gone," a catchy folk song about lumberjacks' fears of finding another line of work.

About 150 people — ranging from former '60s radicals with long hair to clean-cut college students — packed the standing-room-only concert at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Cherney, Bari and activist George Shook, who play in a three-piece folk and country band, had come to the Bay Area to promote the upcoming "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protest. Hundreds of environmental activists are expected to conduct forest sit-ins and civil disobedience to call attention to the depletion of the once-abundant West Coast timberland.

Cherney, who sings and plays guitar, performed last night with Shook, who plays the banjo.

Oakland police and FBI investigators suspect that Cherney and Bari knew of the bomb, which exploded May 24 as the pair drove in front of Oakland High School. Cherney has maintained his innocence, claiming he and Bari are the victims of an assassination plot.

ington, D.C., for analysis.

The letter writer, in a typed, rambling discourse, said he targeted Bari because her activism convinced him she was "possessed of the Devil."

He referred to a demonstration Bari and Cherney attended

in November 1988 at a clinic of Planned Parenthood to counter anti-abortion protesters.

A Planned Parenthood representative said the letter writer had been no serious threats or threats against the clinic.

The letter writer also said he was angered by Bari's leadership of Earth First! protests against logging companies.

Tribune writers Michael Collier and Robert J. Lopez contributed to this report.

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ABE MELLINKOFF

Nothing Barred To Save Redwoods

FOR THOSE LEADERS of Earth First! who got mixed up with a homemade bomb, the wheels of justice are running at a proper speed: slowly. Since cars rarely explode, Oakland cops arrested the pair and the district attorney is exploring the incident to see whether formal charges should be filed. Meanwhile I'd like to alter Earth First! to Earth First?

These self-proclaimed environmentalists should ask themselves some questions. Why are we calling out hundreds of college students to stop logging of redwoods in Northern California? After all, logging is legal and those who don't like such a business have the right to save redwoods by buying up forest land.

If Firsters don't have the money, there's no need to worry. They can bring pressure to have government do the buying. Saving the environment is currently the hottest political issue in California. If an old tree or a young squirrel is threatened, there is sure to be a politician around to rescue both.

The Firsters should also ask: How can we back up our charge that the bomb was planted in our car by the "lumber interests"? That may be difficult. While lumber companies have cut down trees, they have no record of using violence against people.

Will the public remember that we Firsters made a name for ourselves by hammering 10-inch spikes into trees to scare off loggers? The Sierra Club remembers and wants no part of the Firsters' Redwood Summer.

What is planned for Mendocino County this summer hasn't been made public. Sierra members fear violence, and not from loggers.

Judi Bari, who was injured in the car bombing, has announced that the Firsters have given up tree-spiking. If not spiking, then what? A slogan for the upcoming Redwood Summer has been adopted: "No compromise in defense of Mother Earth." That's surely broad enough to cover almost anything.

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Note Muddies Oakland Bombing Case

By Elliot Dirlinger
and Sharon McCormick
Chronicle Staff Writers

The latest twist in the Earth First! bombing — an anonymous letter claiming responsibility — casts new doubt on both the authorities' case against two environmentalists hurt in the blast and counterclaims that the two were targeted by the timber industry.

Investigators released few new details yesterday about the bizarre statement, which outlined a scenario that no one had even imagined: that the bomb was planted in the car of Earth First! organizer Judi Bari to punish her for defending a woman's right to abortion.

The FBI said the letter from the self-described "Lord's avenger," received on Wednesday by the Santa Rosa Press Democrat, was being examined in San Francisco and then will go to the agency's crime laboratory in Washington, D.C.

Barry W. Mawn, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's San Francisco office, said agents are also examining remnants of another bomb that partially exploded May 9 at a Cloverdale lumber mill. The letter writer claimed responsibility for that device as well.

"There's enough detail in the letter (about the bombs) that we're looking at this letter very seriously," Mawn said in a news conference. "The letter gives us a logical avenue to pursue, and the two explosions may in fact be connected."

Mawn noted that although there were "similarities" between the two pipe bombs, the one that tore through Bari's car was an "anti-personnel" device, while the one planted in Cloverdale was hooked up to a container filled with gas and oil so the explosion would be

followed by a big fire. That device, however, failed to work as designed.

Oakland police, who have accused Bari and fellow environmentalist Darryl Cherney of knowingly transporting the bomb when it accidentally went off on May 24, and the Alameda County district attorney's office, which so far has balked at filing formal charges in the case, declined to comment on the latest turn of events.

The letter, written in the fire-and-brimstone language of a religious zealot, says Bari was targeted both for her participation in a pro-choice demonstration outside a Ukiah abortion clinic more than a year ago and for her recent efforts organizing a planned series of anti-logging protests known as Redwood Summer.

If authentic, the letter would knock down the investigators' theory that Bari and Cherney planned

to use the bomb for sabotage or to generate sympathy for their cause, and it would also undermine claims by Earth First! supporters that the two, who had received numerous death threats, were being hunted by loggers.

More Speculation

Neither side was quick yesterday to assume that the letter is genuine, and its appearance set off a new round of speculation about who planted the bomb and why.

"Sure, maybe there's a religious wacko out there who's interested in killing environmental activists," said Earth First! co-founder Mike Roselle. "But it's also possible this is a smoke screen for an organized conspiracy to murder environmental activists. We can't rule that out just because of one crank letter."

Susan Jordan, Bari's attorney, said she had not seen the full text of the letter, but from second-hand accounts it appeared to have a "ring of authenticity."

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Using the opportunity to chastise authorities again for treating Bari and Cherney as suspects instead of victims, Jordan said she is preparing to file a lawsuit forcing investigators to turn over their evidence. She also said she hopes that the letter will spur investigators to broaden their probe and "not let the tracks cool down."

The FBI's Mawn, when asked whether the letter could have been faked by Earth First! to cover its tracks, said, "We're looking into all aspects of who might be responsible for it."

The Letter

Neither the FBI nor the Press Democrat would release the text of the neatly typed, three-page letter, which arrived at the paper's Ukiah bureau in an envelope bearing the "North Bay" postmark stamped on all letters mailed in an area from Sausalito to Eureka.

Friends of Bari, who is under guard in Highland Hospital, said the letter's reference to her protests outside a "Baby-killing clinic" appeared to be connected to a brief flurry of demonstrations and counter-demonstrations more than a year ago at a newly opened Planned Parenthood center in Ukiah.

"There were a lot of people on both sides of the choice issue," recalled Mary Jo Lazear, executive director of Planned Parenthood in the North Bay. "We have no idea who was there. It was just a mass of people protesting the opening of our clinic. It was as simple as that."

Redwood Summer Accord

In Mendocino County, meanwhile, environmentalists and a handful of small logging and mill companies said they had reached agreement on ground rules to keep Redwood Summer protests from turning violent. Both sides emphasized, however, that the 21 individuals who signed the pact do not represent the timber industry or the environmental movement as a whole.

"I definitely feel (Redwood) Summer is a mistake," said Art Harwood of Harwood Products in Branscomb, one of those signing the agreement. "But I know they're going to do it, so we'll do whatever we can to make it nonviolent."

Correspondent Ron Sonenshine contributed to this report.

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PRO-LUMBER RALLY



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Matt Olson, 5, waves a small American flag at a rally in Eureka Friday opposing the upcoming Redwood Summer activities focused on over-cutting of North Coast old-growth forests. About 5,000 people from around Northern California attended the rally at College of the Redwoods.

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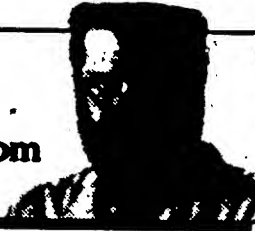
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Logging issues cut both ways

AS THE DEBATE over logging escalates rapidly to war that will apparently be fought with pipe bombs, I am perplexed.

Born in the lumber town of Longview, Wash., I was raised to think of trees as a cash crop. The Weyerhaeuser timber mill people were proud of their tree farms, huge tracts, millions of acres of Douglas firs planted and harvested to be milled into boards and planks and shakes and plywood. People in my neighborhood burned sawdust from the mills in their furnaces. On many days, the town stunk from the pulp liquor down at the Longview Fibre Co., where they reduced wood chips to this gunk that was turned into cardboard and paper.

After World War II, Longview got into the international marketplace with lumber. Japanese freighters — and this was confusing to a boy raised during the war — were among the first ships to come up the Columbia River to dock at the mills.

When I was 18, I spent a summer as a dynamiter on a trail crew in Olympic National Park. I came to see trees, Douglas fir and cedars, mostly, for what they really are: huge living things that, in vast numbers, constitute wilderness.

We cut down a few trees that summer using a nine-foot-long bucksaw; chain saws were too primitive and too heavy for our packer to carry on his mules and horses. Cutting down a Douglas fir and sawing it by hand into lengths needed to build footbridges across mountain streams is one hell of a lot of work, let me tell you.

SINCE THEN, I have lived in the redwood forest in Zayante canyon, out of Felton. I have hated loggers who clear-cut redwoods in upper Zayante and who drove their bulldozers and trucks across Zayante Creek, whipping up clouds of silt. But more or less I liked the steady work in that tributary of the San Lorenzo River.

Nonetheless, I still believe that there are times and especially places where logging is an appropriate endeavor.

It is inappropriate, it seems to me, to chop down California's few remaining stands of virgin redwoods. It is particularly inappropriate to decimate a forest, as is at issue at the north end of the state, to pay off junk bonds used to buy a lumber mill.

It is equally inappropriate to expect that loggers will not cut more trees from our forests. Humans have been cutting trees since the beginning, and all of us use wood, paper and other forest products in our daily lives. Part of the point is that families in logging towns have to make a living, too. Also, loggers and wildlife are compatible in the Pacific Northwest, absent the greed of junk-bond financiers and the naive, closed minds of kids who've never seen a tree that wasn't pruned.

It is debatable, it seems to me, whether trees that are the habitat of the spotted owl should be cut. I'm not familiar enough with this argument to know whether there are any mitigation measures, such as selective logging, that would preserve the bird that become the symbol of the hated tree-huggers to the loggers and mill workers of the Pacific Northwest.

BUT HERE is one thing I know for certain: It is wrong, morally as well as legally, to resort to terrorism to preserve trees. It is a sin, if there is sin, to endanger even one human life to save a million trees, let alone a single redwood.

Driving spikes that might later rupture loggers' chain saws or break the big blades in the sawmills is tantamount to placing a pipe bomb in a schoolyard — or in a car driven by environmental activists. We don't know yet who put the bomb in the Earth First! activists' car, but no matter who it was, lumbermen or Earth Firsters themselves, it was an inexcusable act of terrorism.

Knocking down the power transmission lines on Earth Day was another sinful act of terrorism. Not only did it endanger people whose lives depend on kidney dialysis machines or other life-support devices, it brought back the trauma of those days after the Oct. 17 earthquake when our shock was heightened by the blackout.

My sympathies these days are mostly with the good-hearted people who oppose logging for one reason or another.

I sympathize with neighbors who don't want their forests clear-cut and who dread the noise and danger of huge logging trucks heading along their roads.

I agree that we should preserve the few

remaining virgin forests, and I believe that allowing even one creature, even an owl, to become extinct diminishes life for all of us.

But I also think that it is unreasonable to complain each time a logger sharpens his ax and fires up his chain saw. It makes no sense to preserve every Douglas fir and every redwood; there are people who want to build and own or rent houses, and there are people who want to read books and newspapers made out of newsprint. These people are you and me.

Lee Quarnstrom's column normally appears Mondays in the Santa Cruz edition.

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Redwood Summer protests escalate

Activists dress like trees in Sacramento

Mercury News Staff and Wire Reports

The Redwood Summer campaign by Earth First! and other groups to slow logging in the state extended protests from the North Coast to the Port of Sacramento on Thursday.

Near Eureka, 15 protesters showed up at a grove of old-growth redwood and Douglas firs, where Pacific Lumber is cutting trees on 160 acres, according to a news release from Earth First!, the group coordinating the series of environmental protests dubbed "Redwood Summer." The protesters planned to hide among the tall ferns and other vegetation in hopes loggers would halt cutting for fear of injuring someone.

In Sacramento, about 50 activists — some dressed as trees — chanted and cheered speakers outside a port business that exports logs to the Far East and other areas. In the wake of massive publicity about the planned protests in Mendocino and Humboldt counties, police from a half-dozen agencies matched the protesters one-for-one, and a California Highway Patrol helicopter circled above.

Speakers decried over-harvesting of timber and cutting of old-growth redwood by firms they said are racing deadlines such as the environmental protection measures on the November statewide election ballot.

"Over 150 acres of old-growth timber a day are being cut. It's time for us to stop asking and start demanding that they stop it," said David Orr, 32, an employee of the University of California, Davis.

Charles Paine, a spokesman for the port, said that Gene West Inc. exports only low-grade and diseased trees that would not normally be milled in the United States.

Protesters had planned to interfere with loading of logs aboard a ship bound for Japan, but the vessel departed Wednesday, port officials said.

Redwood Summer is modeled after the tumultuous Freedom Summer of 1964, the voter registration campaign centered in Mississippi that led to the 1965 Voting Rights Act. That summer was marked by violence, including the murder of three civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Miss.

Though Redwood Summer protests are planned as peaceful civil disobedience, a number of violent incidents have already occurred. Observers say they've seen an increase in tensions between the environmentalists and loggers and others who make their living from the Northern California timber industry.

A letter writer, identified only as "the Lord's avenger," has claimed responsibility for a pipe-bomb explosion that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney in Oakland on May 24.

Police arrested Bari and Cherney, saying they knowingly carried the bomb when it blew up inside their car. But the district attorney has refused to file charges against the two Earth First! members.

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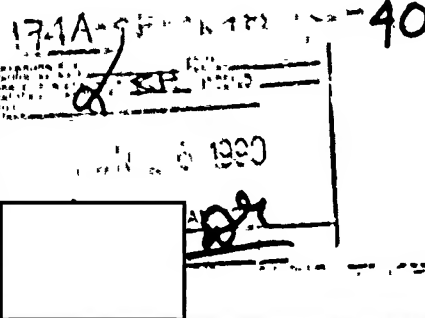
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Timber activists launch their 'Redwood Summer'

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO — A small but spirited group of logging protesters launching Redwood Summer, which was foreshadowed by a mysterious bomb explosion, were matched one-for-one in number yesterday by police from six agencies.

The two Earth First! logging activists who were victims of the explosion in Oakland last month were not present but about 50 demonstrators — some dressed as trees — chanted and cheered speakers outside a Port of Sacramento business that exports logs to China, Korea, and Japan.

Speakers decried over-harvesting of timber, and cutting of old-growth redwoods. They said logging companies are racing deadlines such as the environmental protection measures on California's November ballot and possible curtailment of operations if the spotted owl is found to be endangered.

"Over 150 acres of old-growth timber a day are being cut. It's time for us to stop asking and start demanding that they stop it," said David Orr, 32, a University of California at Davis employee. "Earth First! partici-

pants are willing to put their bodies on the line to stop the devastation."

Protesters' varied ranks stretched from students to housewives, and from perennial activists to environmental demonstration newcomers.

"I am not a liberal. I have a job. I am a mainstream American and I am equally concerned about our resources," said Edwin Reidel, a 21-year-old college student with trim hair and wearing a suit. "This is no joke. The time has come for everyone to express their concern."

Between speakers, demonstrators waved a large American flag and chanted such slogans as, "Save our forests," and, "No more exports." They held hand-fashioned signs that said: "Logs are jobs. Keep 'em here," "Stop log exports," and "Support sustainable yield."

A spokesman for the port, however, said Gene West Inc. exports only low-quality white fir and diseased trees, taken from the Sierra Nevada, that would not normally be milled in the United States anyway.

The environmentalists are planning widespread protests in coming months.

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Earth First! activist denies explosion plot

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OAKLAND — An Earth First! activist seriously injured when a pipe bomb exploded in her car said in a published report that she was not transporting the device and doesn't know how it got in her car.

"I can't understand the mind of someone who would hurt somebody like this," Judi Bari said in a copyright story in a Santa Rosa newspaper.

Bari, 40, and fellow Earth First! member Darryl Cherney, 33, were arrested in connection with the explosion the day after the May 24 blast. Alameda County prosecutors declined to file charges against the pair until results of FBI evidence tests are available. Cherney is free on \$100,000 bond. Bari remains in protective custody at Highland Hospital with a broken pelvis.

"A bam and then a lot of pain" are the only things she remembers about the explosion, Bari told the Press Democrat on Sunday. "Excruciating pain."

After arresting Bari and Cherney, Oakland police said they believed the two knowingly carried the bomb when it blew up accidentally.

"Judi Bari doesn't know a thing about explosives," Bari declared. "I've even been offered firearms for my personal protection, but I've always turned them down. I've no experience with any of this stuff."

In an interview earlier with the Mercury News, Cherney also maintained his innocence. He said he believes he still could be in danger.

Bari and Cherney, who also are folk musicians, were visiting the Bay Area to drum up support for Redwood Summer, a series of non-violent, anti-logging demonstrations, when the bomb exploded.

"I usually lock my car when I'm in the Bay Area. But because of the guitars and stuff, we do a lot of loading and unloading, and there would have been ample opportunity if someone had been watching me," he said.

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Earth First! is right

AMERICA'S young cutting-edge environmentalists are going to Northern California for the summer to join the American Indian Movement and Earth First! in protesting the cutting of the last stands of our nation's old growth forests.

Their effort, which I prefer to call Old Growth Summer instead of Redwood Summer, was marred two weeks ago by a pipe-bomb explosion in a car that nearly took the lives of Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney.

Everyone is abuzz about who put the bomb in the car. As serious as that incident was, my worry is that in focusing only on the bomb, the public will be distracted and miss the issue that is a thousand-times more important.

We have reached the end of America's vast forest bounty and we must respond. A frightened in-

Earth First! members were taught to work within the system, but the system has failed them — and us.

with the end in sight, the logging industry will fight like starving dogs over the last ten trees still standing.

The industry's public relations arm is focusing on the monkey-wrenching rhetoric of Earth First! based on a book by the late Edward Abbey and a book by Dave Foreman, EF!s founder. The objective of the books was to chide the rest of us so we will worry and change our ways. The logging industry has understandably tried to manipulate public opinion to go against Earth First! by highlighting a few isolated incidents of sabotage by individuals, which it says were inspired by the books.

Earth First! was founded on the principles of non-violence espoused by Mahatma Gandhi and followed by Martin Luther King for social justice and civil rights. If the means to its end were really violence against private property, major power lines all across America would be down, and there wouldn't be an unguarded bulldozer in operation.

Instead, what Earth First!ers do are attention-getting, very public pranks: Draping banners on buildings and bridges denouncing the clear cutting of the old growth, tree sitting, and clearly marked spiking of trees, which, by the way, EF! has stopped doing, in part because someone was inadvertently hurt.

I welcome the protest this summer. These kids will not be bombing anyone and their voices, united with those of the Native Americans, must be heard and heeded. This group will move us and our political leaders to face, accept, and react to the reality of environmental limits. The hoped-for response

industry needs help and the concerned young and Native Americans need to be heard. As is, even

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is legislation plus political leadership to reforest the nation and world.

With recruiting offices in the Midwest and East, Earth First! will have adequate numbers of protesters. Though the Earth First!ers hope that the demonstrations will

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be nonviolent, there was that same hope during the infamous Mississippi Summer of 1964 for civil rights.

FOR TWO centuries, profits from the abundance of our forests have been basic to building the nation. The once vast original forests were cut down to build cities from Roanoke to Chicago to Denver, and we continued to cut on through to the Pacific Coast without the future in mind. Our forefathers didn't think of the next generation by replanting forests as they went. We've hit the other edge of the continent now, and the new generation is understandably angry and frustrated over our short-sightedness.

We sent these kids off to college to learn to respect history. They understand the connections to Ethiopia's vanishing forests and starving millions, the once-famed cedars of Lebanon that are now dusty hills, and the conflicts going on in the shrinking rain forests of Brazil, Venezuela, Malaysia, and other tropical countries.

We also sent them to school to learn how to succeed by working within the system. But they see that the system has not worked for the previous generation or for them. The founders of Earth First! were working for wilderness legislation as young idealists but found that the Wilderness Bill was allowed to be used to favor exploitation.

Then came the last straw. Pacific Lumber, once one of the few large logging companies to ethically and sustainably manage their forest, was grabbed by Charles Hurwitz, a Texas junk bond king. Maxxam Corporation reversed a day what the previous owners had managed to sustain for decades.

Maxxam kept the name, and launched a public relations campaign to condone its clear cutting practices, including an ancient grove of redwoods, while it

skimmed the profits off the top. Maxxam isn't there to protect the rights of the loggers any more than the wildlife or the sustained crop of redwoods. The system appeared to favor Maxxam's butchery while it tried to stifle dissent, a tip to the old-growth advocates that working through the system offers little hope.

THE PEOPLE in the logging industry understandably fear that no longer will their kids grow up to harvest the old forests. The American landscape is littered with ghost towns that once boomed with work in the forests and pulp mills, the bars and restaurants.

One hopeful outcome of the Old Growth Summer is to bring the loggers and logging companies around to accept a new direction: Using shovels to plant trees along with the chain saws they now use to cut them down.

Will political leaders get involved? The memory of President Lyndon Johnson standing by his mistake — our deep involvement with the Vietnam War — and thereby ending his career, will be fresh in the minds of our representatives. The campaign cry this summer should come in unison from environmentalists, loggers and politicians: Save the forests.



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ALEXANDER COCKBURN

Redwood murder plot

PROSECUTING attorneys look at Earth First! activists the way Nero looked at Christians. They flick through the late Edward Abbey's "Monkey Wrench Gang" for examples of eco-sabotage, pull together a few news clips on tree-spiking and get ready to throw the book.

So when Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were almost killed by a bomb that exploded in their car as they drove through Oakland two weeks ago, they were promptly arrested.

Two days earlier, Bari had told a rally outside the Mendocino County courthouse that she had received more than 45 death threats. After the first 10, Bari half-joked, you get used to them. Now, badly mangled and hospitalized, she's facing possible charges of transporting the explosives that blew up under her driver's seat.

Last August, in daylight, and in the middle of the town of Philo, a logging truck rammed Bari's car from behind. By a miracle, the three adults and four children in the car were not hurt. The district attorney said there was insufficient evidence to prosecute.

THINGS ARE tense in Mendocino and Humboldt counties. The rally outside the courthouse was the launch for Bari's brainchild, Mississippi Sum-

mer in the Redwoods, shortened for convenience to Redwood Summer. Its aim is to generate a surge of nonviolent civil disobedience akin to that of the Mississippi civil rights campaigns of a generation ago. The target is the timber companies, primarily the giant corporations Georgia Pacific and Louisiana Pacific, which have been over-

The timber companies' own statistics show an over-cut of 225 percent.

cutting for years and plan to accelerate this practice in the months ahead.

Redwood Summer's opening event June 20 will be an effort to shut down Louisiana Pacific's log export dock in Samoa, a little port town just south of Eureka in Humboldt County. Here, Louisiana Pacific ships out logs sawed in half, thus qualifying them as "partly finished products" that evade the ban on the export of raw logs taken from public lands. The demonstrators will also draw attention to the fact that Louisiana Pacific is setting up a large mill in Mexico to process its logs — resulting in the loss of hundreds of local jobs.

The over-cutting is indisputable. The timber companies' own statistics, buttressed by UC extension analyses, show an over-cut of

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225 percent on both private and public lands. The companies know well that public opinion has turned against them. Hence the panicky clear-cutting scheduled for this summer; hence, too, the slanders against Bari and the Mendocino Earth Firsters as eco-terrorists driving spikes into trees to interfere with cutting machinery, heedless of possible injuries to loggers and mill workers.

But Bari has spoken out against spiking. There has been just one confirmed spiking in Mendocino County, in 1986, injuring one mill worker. It was reportedly traced to a man from Los Angeles camping next to a timber site. The Mendocino County district attorney declined to prosecute.

Last week, an anonymous letter writer claiming to be "the Lord's avenger" took responsibility for planting the pipe bomb in Bari's car, saying Bari was "possessed of the Devil." The FBI said the letter contained accurate details about the components of the Oakland bomb and another bomb placed in a Cloverdale lumber mill on May 8.

MEANWHILE, Louisiana Pacific, notorious for union-busting, has been repeatedly fined by federal and state oversight bodies for failing to protect its workers from occupational hazards. Fortunato Reyes, a Mexican worker in Louisiana Pacific's Ukiah mill, was crushed to death last year when his supervisor ordered him to clear "the green chain," a part of the lumber assembly line, while it was running.

The timber companies foster the idea that environmentalists are a bunch of middle-class people in Volvos, heedless of the fate of loggers and mill workers. But timber workers are well aware of the truth of over-cutting. Bari and others have called for "sustainable yield practices," meaning trees are not cut beyond the ability of the forest to regenerate. Otherwise, the jobs disappear when the trees are gone.

This position is far from radical; it's supported by a growing percentage of timber workers.

Bari strove to build coalitions with these workers, and that kind of politics made her dangerous enemies. No one familiar with Bari, Cherney and the Earth First! group in Mendocino County believes for a second that the two were wittingly carrying a bomb in their car. Fake Earth First! leaflets with threats to set the woods on fire and to attack loggers have been circulated through the mills. Demonstrators against over-cutting have been physically attacked. Not a single elected official in Mendocino county has denounced the many threats against Bari.

So the murder plan against Bari and Cherney failed, but the victims are being blamed. Redwood Summer is off to an ominous start.

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'Redwood Summer' Under Way*Chronicle Staff Report*

"Redwood Summer" protests got off to a muddy start yesterday as a small group of demonstrators hiked into the woods in Humboldt County and briefly kept loggers from cutting down old-growth trees for the Pacific Lumber Co.

The protest, which took place on Pacific Lumber property about 10 miles southeast of Eureka, was

the first in what has been billed as a series of nonviolent acts of civil disobedience designed to curtail logging on the North Coast.

Mickey Dulas of Earth First!, one of the groups organizing the Redwood Summer protests, said 15 people hiked through mud and rain to reach the logging site before dawn.

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'Redwood Summer' Protests Log Exports

By Ann Bancroft
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Sacramento

About 50 "Redwood Summer" demonstrators met with an equal number of police officers yesterday when they converged on the Port of Sacramento to chant, stage street theater and protest log exports to Japan.

Five police agencies were on hand, including a special weapons team from Davis. But there were neither arrests nor threats of civil disobedience from the crowd.

The spirited protest was part of Redwood Summer, a series of anti-logging demonstrations that organizers say will draw many sympathizers to Northern California in the coming weeks.

The protesters, many of them students from the University of California at Davis, lined both sides of the Harbor Boulevard overpass of Interstate 80 in West Sacramento, where they waved signs saying, "Log Exports — Ecological Disaster" and "Save U.S. Trees and Jobs."

The messages provoked blasts from the air horns of passing trucks — some of them accompanied by friendly "thumbs up" signs from drivers. Others shouted curses and made disapproving gestures.

Several demonstrators expressed support for Earth First! leaders

Judy Bari and Darryl Cherney, key Redwood Summer organizers, who were injured in a mysterious explosion two weeks ago in Oakland.

Police believe that the two were transporting a bomb when it accidentally went off, but Bari and Cherney say that they were the targets of a murder attempt. An anonymous letter writer has claimed responsibility for the blast. No formal charges have been filed.

The protesters yesterday reportedly had hoped to block a Japan-bound freighter loaded with logs, but the ship left the night before.

Instead, the protesters marched to the port entrance, where they found a closed gate and a "closed to visitors" sign. While police blocked them from approaching piles of logs awaiting export, eight demonstrators wearing cardboard trees "felled" themselves across a railroad track.

Organizer Joseph Malkie, waving a cardboard chain saw at the "trees," screamed, "Oh my God! What have I done? I've just displaced 20,000 mill workers!"

Port of Sacramento spokesman Charles Paine said the logs piled for shipping were "surplus" lumber — either infested with bugs or too soft to use for construction in the United States. About 90 million board feet of the total California timber harvest of 4.84 billion board feet is exported annually, Paine said.

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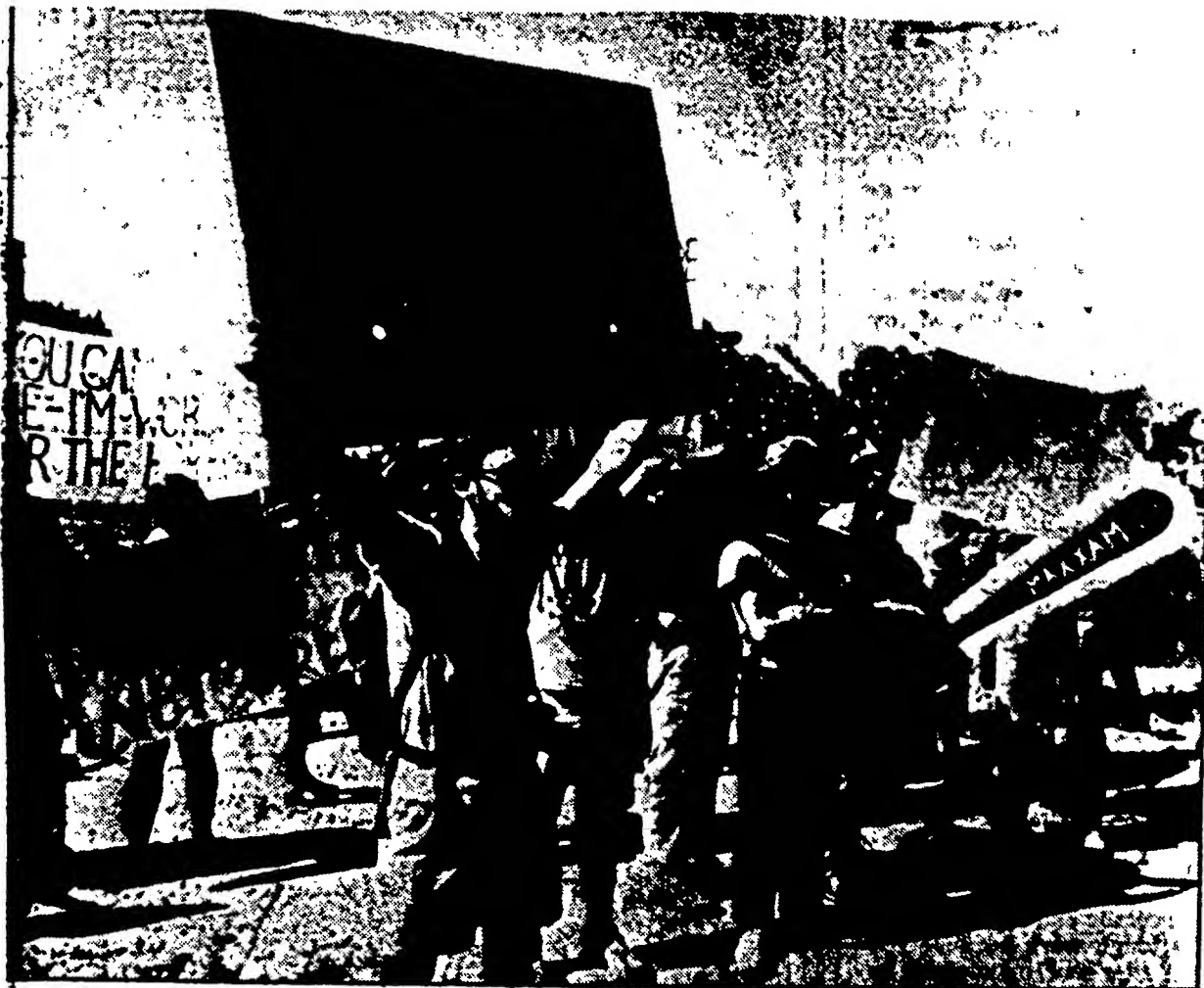
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Anti-logging protesters carry signs outside Port of Sacramento on Thursday

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Oakland cops 'optimistic' about charges in bombing

They say evidence still points to environmental activists who were injured in blast

By Andy Furillo
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Preliminary results from the FBI laboratory have made Oakland police investigators "optimistic" that charges will be filed against two environmental militants injured on May 24 when a bomb exploded in their car.

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims declined Thursday to specify what the lab tests revealed. He said they involved remnants of a bomb that went off in the car occupied by two Earth First! activists, parts of another device exploded earlier at a Sonoma County lumber mill and evidence seized in searches of the activists' homes.

Sims said police are still open to the possibility that the Earth First! organizers injured in the blast, Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, were victims of an attempted murder. But Sims added that evidence compiled by police thus far suggests the bomb belonged to the two.

"They are still considered suspects," Sims said. "We still feel optimistic. We feel like we're going in the right direction."

He said investigators "anticipate we'll be ready" to ask prosecutors to file charges against Cherney and Bari by June 18.

Doug Horngrad, an attorney who represents Cherney, said he is "not privy" to the information obtained by Oakland police.

"But I know that Sims' point of view has been to try and charge our clients," Horngrad said. "Given that mentality, he is naturally going to say the FBI is giving him information to make him optimistic. We're optimistic no charges are going to be filed."

Access to evidence

Horngrad and Bari's attorney, Richard Ingram, said they plan to file suit in Alameda County Superior Court on Friday to gain access to the evidence compiled by Oakland police and the FBI in the case.

Horngrad said he will be "asking that the evidence be retained to preserve its integrity and that we be allowed access to the evidence for our own independent testing... We have a concern about the evidence being mishandled in that its evidentiary value will be reduced significantly."

Ingram, a Santa Rosa attorney, said he wants the evidence preserved for a possible suit to be filed against Oakland police for false arrest and false imprisonment.

Bari remained in stable condition at an Oakland hospital Thursday with a broken pelvis and other injuries she suffered in the blast near Oakland High School. Cherney sustained a cut over his left eye in the explosion.

The two activists were organizing the upcoming Redwood Summer protests to stop old-growth timber cutting along California's northern coast when the incident

took place. They said they had both received death threats prior to the Oakland explosion.

A letter mailed to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat last week took credit for the bombing and the May 9 explosion at the Louisiana-Pacific lumber mill in Cloverdale. Descriptions of the devices in both blasts led the FBI to take the letter "very seriously."

Meanwhile Thursday, a small but spirited group of logging protesters launching the Redwood Summer were matched in number Thursday by police from half a dozen agencies, including the Port of Sacramento.

Earth First! activists hope to reproduce the environmental equivalent of Freedom Summer, the civil rights campaign that led to the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

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Victims want own experts to inspect bombed car

By Will Jones
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Two members of Earth First!, injured when a bomb exploded in their car last month, are seeking a court order to have their own experts examine the vehicle and evidence gathered by police investigators.

Although no formal charges have been filed against them, police have said that Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney are suspects in the bombing that injured them near Oakland High School on May 24.

In a petition filed in Alameda County Superior Court yesterday, attorneys for Bari and Cherney asked that evidence be retained and preserved so they can have their own investigators test it.

Judge Ken Kawaichi granted a motion for the attorneys, at their own expense, to cover the car that was damaged, use a private security guard to protect it and to photograph or videotape the vehicle and its surroundings.

He then set a hearing for 10 a.m. Monday for another judge to hear arguments and rule on other requests by the attorneys.

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LETTERS**Unfair treatment
of Earth First!**

Let's set the record straight before innuendos against Earth First! go any further.

Earth First! proponents have always acted from the highest principles. In areas of trees they used to spike, they marked the trees, giving ample notice that the trees had been spiked. These people are trying to save our ancient forests. They should have our complete support.

The one mill worker who was injured was injured from a tree not spiked by EF! but by a private landowner who didn't want his trees cut. The landowner, unlike EF!, did not mark the tree and gave no notice.

The media should be more objective and not indict EF! through insinuation. They always seem to mention the one injury in the same sentence with EF!, automatically linking the two. This sort of trial by media must stop.

The blowing up of the electrical lines near Santa Cruz was the action of another group, not EF!

So let's stop blaming the victims, i.e., those injured by the car bomb. They are heroes. They are trying to save a national treasure that can never be replaced — our ancient forests.

The FBI should be pressing vigorously to discover just who planted that bomb. For starters, they could investigate the logging truck that rammed Judi Bari's car several months ago, nearly killing her — as well as the death threats against her.

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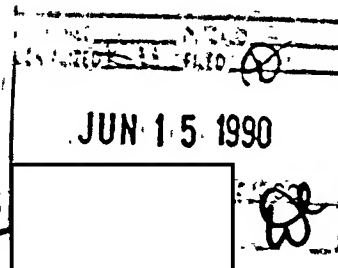
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BOMB CHARGES SOUGHT: After receiving preliminary results of FBI lab tests on the construction of a pipe bomb, Oakland police said Friday that they still believe charges should be filed against two environmental activists injured when the bomb exploded in their car. Earth First! organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, hurt in the May 24 blast, were arrested for investigation of explosives possession and transportation, but the Alameda County District Attorney's Office declined to file charges pending the FBI tests.

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Sack of nails led police to suspect Earth First! activists

But lawyers rap cops and FBI for probing group

By Lance Williams
and Andy Furillo
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OAKLAND — Moments after an explosion rocked a car driven by two Earth First! activists, police searched the vehicle and found a sack of nails believed identical to ones used in the construction of the pipe bomb that caused the blast, court records show.

The discovery of the nails — and an FBI bomb expert's opinion that they matched nails taped to the pipe bomb that wrecked the car — led police to conclude that environmentalists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were transporting the bomb when it accidentally exploded, according to the documents, which were obtained Friday.

"Affiant believes that Bari and Cherney are members of a violent terrorist group involved in the placing of explosive devices," Oakland police Sgt. Robert Chenault wrote at 2 a.m. on May 25 in an emergency request for a warrant to search the Berkeley headquarters of another environmental group, Seeds of Peace, where Cherney had spent the previous night.

In his affidavit, the officer asked Municipal Court Judge Carol Corrigan for permission to make an immediate search because he feared that "destructive devices ... which may be a hazard and danger to the community" were there, the document states.

Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, were injured in the May 24 explosion near Oakland High School and police booked them on suspicion of transporting a bomb. But no additional bombs were discovered in searches that night and the district attorney did not file charges against them.

At the time of the explosion the activists were organizing an anti-logging protest in Northern California to be called "Redwood Summer." They have denied knowing that the bomb was in the car and say they are the victims of a murder attempt.

Their lawyers have criticized the police and FBI for investigating the activists rather than people who reportedly threatened to kill them in order to silence their protests.

Some Earth First! supporters have publicly speculated that law enforcement agencies may have conspired to frame the activists.

Why police suspected pair

Chenault's affidavit, written hours after the bombing and now on file in Oakland Municipal Court, gives no support to conspiracy theories.

Instead, it indicates that evidence at the scene and statements made by Cherney and others led them to suspect the activists.

Chenault said that in a search of the wrecked car, investigators found pieces of a foot-long pipe bomb that had been loaded with explosive powder and wired to a battery and a clock.

Nails "bound together with silver duct tape for shrapnel effect" also had been attached to the bomb.

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and a sack of nails had been found elsewhere in the car, according to the affidavit.

From the hole in the car's floorboard, investigators concluded the bomb had been placed directly behind the driver's seat.

The affidavit quotes FBI bomb expert Frank Doyle as saying the nails found in the sack were "identical" to ones taped to the bomb.

In his affidavit, Chenault also notes that in separate interviews, two members of Seeds of Peace told police they had been worried about potential violence on the part of Earth First!, apparently because of its reputation for "monkey-wrenching," or vandalizing machinery believed to harm the environment.

According to the document, Shannon Marr, a Seeds of Peace supporter, said the group was "concerned about joining with Earth First because it had a reputation for violence and property destruction."

David Kemnitzer told police Sgt. Mike Sitterud that "his friends who belonged to Seeds of Peace were concerned about Earth First's reputation ... Earth First had a reputation of violence and sabotage," Chenault wrote.

The officer quoted Kemnitzer as saying that Seeds of Peace agreed to support the upcoming protest after "several meetings where Bari and Cherney said that Redwood Summer would be strictly non-violent."

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Green 'mafia' new target of political suspicion

**Environmental
activists say actions
by government
are unwarranted**

First of two articles

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Environmental activism is the new target of political suspicion and surveillance, and law enforcement agencies are stepping up action against those who demand radical change.

Calling them "agitators," "outsiders," "the mafia" and "extremists," local, state and federal investigators and prosecutors say they suspect them of violent acts — or the potential for them. They have responded in the last year with arrests, searches, seizures and questioning.

Targeted groups say the suspicion is unwarranted. They say U.S. activists have suffered persecution and prosecution for decades because they advocate social change.

Among recent developments:

- In Oakland, two Earth First! supporters injured on May 24 when a bomb exploded in their car instantly became the only serious suspects. Friends said they were en route to their base in Berkeley, and then to Santa Cruz to recruit for a summer campaign to save forests. But police arrested the pair within hours. Days later, they were released without charges.

- In Mobile, Ariz., three Greenpeace organizers were among dozens hauled out of a hearing on a toxic waste incinerator. Five were shot with electric stun guns. Deputies handcuffed them for hours at a desolate airfield until the hearing was over. The three and 15 others face misdemeanor and felony charges, and have been under surveillance since the May 7 incident.

- Also in Arizona, the government is preparing to try Dave Foreman, a founder of Earth First!, and other supporters. They were indicted on conspiracy charges last year after an undercover FBI agent tried to involve Foreman in a plan

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to disable a pumping station with other Earth First! supporters. The FBI charges — and Foreman denies — that it was a trial run for actions against three nuclear plants. Investigators found no evidence of firearms or bombs.

• In Missoula, Mont., last year, the FBI began investigating alleged tree spiking in a national forest. Earth First! was suspected and disclaimed knowledge. A grand jury subpoenaed seven people, including a University of Montana professor. A center of Earth First! activities was searched. Everything bearing a name and a face was confiscated. No one was charged.

Earth First! and Greenpeace say they are under attack because they are the vanguard of profound environmental change. They have been among the most successful groups in drawing public attention to development's threat to natural resources, and in inspiring the young to act — to save trees, whales and diminishing wilderness and to fight the government over hazardous waste incinerators.

Their militant tactics also draw attention of law enforcement. Earth First! has spent a decade angering deputies by vandalizing bulldozers, blocking logging trucks, occupying forests and driving spikes into trees. Recently, they've been reaching out to timber workers on issues of job security and safety.

They say their tactics aren't violent because they don't hurt people. But they've had to answer for an accident three years ago: A logger in Elk, Mendocino County, was hurt when his chain saw hit a spike in a tree. Earth First! says it didn't spike the area.

U.S. law enforcement doesn't make the same distinction. It often assumes dissenting groups are violent, and has a long history of violating their civil rights to safeguard the "public," said Brian Glick, a New York public-interest lawyer who wrote "War At Home," a book

about U.S. covert action against progressive movements.

"It's long been tradition in our country that the law be used to enforce the will of the majority. It is inevitable that there is a clash between a majority will and those people seeking change," said David Lewis, a New York lawyer who has represented such diverse clients as Manuel Noriega, the Irish Republican Army and renegade CIA agents against FBI "stings."

The U.S. as 'neutralizer'

The government has a long record of "neutralizing" emerging groups by smearing and factionalizing them. In the 1920s and '30s, laborers were prosecuted for trying to form unions and linked to crimes committed by provocateurs. In the '40s and '50s, communism was the target, and in '60s it was civil rights and anti-war protesters.

In the '70s, dirty tricks and inflammatory acts by FBI agents sought to disrupt the Black Panthers, the American Indian Movement and Students for a Democratic Society. More recently, the FBI waged a secret campaign against opponents of U.S. policy in Central America, infiltrating CISPES (Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador) and investigating nuns, civil rights workers and unions.

"When it comes to environmentalists, the challenge that they pose is as great or greater to the existing status quo," said Lewis. "While most of us don't own a coal mine or don't engage in discrimination, most are involved in the destruction of the biosphere. Therefore, these people pose a tremendous threat to the status quo and a threat to the government on this issue."

"It's a lot easier to lock up a bunch of protesters than it is to

grapple with difficult problems."

The two victims in the May 24 Oakland car bombing, Earth First! organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, were "easy to accuse," said Susan B. Jordan, a lawyer.

They're easy targets

"They talk radically — not violently — but they're easy targets," said Jordan, a San Francisco and Ukiah lawyer who represents Bari. "They're easy people to whip up public opinion against. It's outrageous that in this day and age in 1990 the Oakland police don't possess enough sophistication to see through that."

However, Oakland police Lt. Mike Simms reiterated last week that authorities believe Cherney and Bari were responsible for the bomb and anticipate charges being filed in the case. An affidavit filed by Oakland police on May 25 said a sack of nails believed identical to those used in the bomb were found in Bari's Subaru station wagon.

While state and local officials are criticized, it's the FBI's work that is at the center of the new harassment and suspicion of environmental groups.

A big question is how an agency with a long history of infiltrating and prosecuting radical groups can also objectively investigate such matters as bombings against such groups.

A staff member of the Rainforest Action Network, where an Earth First! co-founder is on the

board of directors, was questioned by two FBI agents the night of the Oakland bombing, according to Randy Hayes, a network founder.

"It reminds me of the fox guarding the hen house," said Hayes. "If the FBI is involved in trying to undercut Earth First!, and they're supposed to investigate bombing incidents, I don't trust that their investigation will be thorough."

FBI defends its integrity

San Francisco Special Agent Richard Wallace Held, former head of the FBI's COINTELPRO operation against the Black Panther Party in Los Angeles, was out of The City and couldn't comment.

FBI spokesman Duke Dietrich said: "One of the things that the public has to rely on is our integrity. We're not going to let our previous investigations in other matters interfere with a proper investigation. I don't think there's any justification in saying we won't do a first-class investigation in this (Oakland bombing)."

He noted that several congressional committees monitor the FBI, as do judges and a U.S. attorney. "We just don't run amok out there. If we don't like the way people look, we can't go out and investigate them. ... Things are a lot different than they were 20 years ago. We weren't monitored as closely then.

"We are not investigating Earth First! as an organization nationwide. In (the Foreman) case, some of the members going to trial are members of Earth First! But we don't have information that Earth First! is a terrorist group."

On Sept. 5, Foreman, an Earth First! founder, will go on trial in Phoenix on conspiracy charges stemming from the FBI's yearlong \$2 million undercover operation. The FBI said Foreman and others raised \$100 to help pay for an environmental action that disabled pumps at a water project.

Foreman's lawyer, Gerry Spence, plans to argue that his client is being tried because the FBI is trying to discredit the respected leader of a growing radical movement.

Rainbow Warrior still

A dramatic piece of evidence is a tape from the FBI's own bugging equipment, left on by mistake. On it, the FBI's undercover agent says it would not be enough to arrest the

perpetrator and discusses a plan to "pop" Foreman "to send a message."

Greenpeace Chairman David Chatfield said that "when a nonviolent movement begins to be successful, it begins to be attacked. You see this throughout the history of nonviolent protest. That's what happened to us and the Rainbow Warrior."

Greenpeace had sent its ship the Rainbow Warrior to New Zealand to protest French nuclear testing when it was bombed and a member killed. The explosion was later discovered to have been caused by French agents.

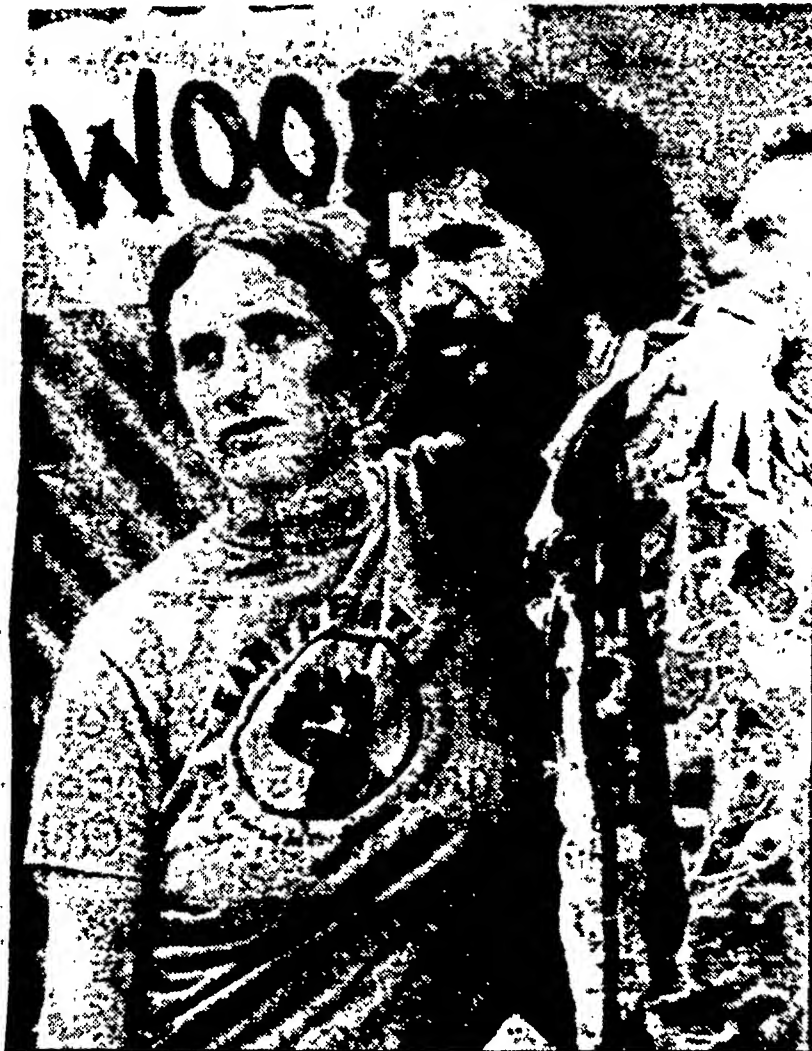
"Our response was, of course, the government wouldn't be that stupid. It took the better part of the New Zealand detective force two months to find out what really happened. And then our speculation was wrong. That's why we're supporting the defense of the Earth First! people. It's an absolute injustice that this incident not be fully investigated."

Chatfield blamed the incident at the incinerator hearing in Mobile, Ariz., on the EPA's premeditated targeting of Greenpeace.

Smarting from Greenpeace's brief "occupation" of its San Francisco headquarters last year, the EPA gave Arizona officials videotapes of Greenpeace members before the May hearing. And it warned them about three in particular who were among those who disrupted an earlier incinerator hearing in Casimaria. The state officials called in the Maricopa County Sheriff's Department, which made sure the three were among the dozens dragged from the hearing.

Chatfield and others said the deputies "overreacted," but a state police investigation has cleared them of wrongdoing. Charges of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest are still pending against those arrested.

Monday: Earth First!'s tough talk and bugged actions.



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Earth First! organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney appear at a rally outside a Louisiana Pacific mill in Calpella, Mendocino County.

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Loggers Hurry To Keep Ahead Of Protesters

Industry 'driven by
the political situation'

Protesters are not the only ones taking to the woods of the North Coast this summer — the loggers are out there, working overtime.

Worried that they might be shut down by a voter initiative on the November ballot, or by a ruling expected soon that could protect the northern spotted owl, timber owners and logging companies are hurrying to get their harvest plans approved and trees cut while they can.

"From what I hear, the system's jamming up," said Pete Parsloff, a University of California forestry adviser in Mendocino County. "If you wanted to log right now you couldn't even find a logger because they're all busy. You can't get trucks. You can't get loggers."

Signs of the Season

The end of the winter rains always signals the start of the logging season, and the timber market is as strong as it has been in years. But people in the industry acknowledge that those factors alone cannot account for the sudden upsurge in logging activity.

"I would say it's driven more by the political situation than the market at this point," said Scott Wall, president of the California Licensed Foresters Association, whose members draw up harvest plans for timber operators. "We're working through the weekends — nonstop."

One element of that political situation is a long-awaited ruling by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on whether to declare the spotted owl a threatened species. The decision, due June 23, could

mean a dramatic reduction in logging throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Forests Forever

Of equal, if not greater, concern in California is an initiative sponsored by an environmental coalition called Forests Forever that would impose strict new logging rules on private lands, where most of the state's timber is cut.

Although the goal of the initiative goal is to sharply reduce the level of timber harvest, it is producing the opposite result, at least in the short term.

The state Department of Forestry reports a big jump in the number of timber-cutting plans being filed, in part because timber owners want their plans approved before the initiative comes before voters in November. Once approved, the harvest plans are good for three years, even if the initiative passes.

Part of the rush is coming from the big timber companies, which own hundreds of thousands of acres. Yet the most anxious appear to be the smaller "non-industrial" owners, in many cases family businesses that own just a few hundred or a few thousand acres.

"Most of us who own forestland, that's our major investment in our lives," said Wayne Miller of Orinda, who owns 1,900 acres north of Fort Bragg and has been urging fellow members of Forest Land Owners of California to get their harvest plans filed.

Although the larger companies "could shut down their operations in the coast region and just put it to sleep for a while," said Miller, smaller owners do not have that option. "When we suffer something like a death in the family, or an illness, we've got to get hold of some money, and we depend on our forests."

One Way Out

To escape the initiative, Miller said, he will soon be cutting trees on parts of his land he had not planned to harvest for 20 years. "This initiative is bad forestry," he

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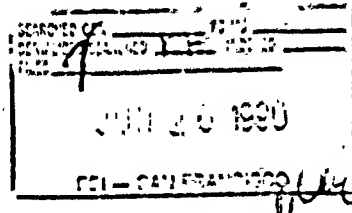
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said, "and it'll destroy more forests than it'll protect."

Robert (Woods) Sutherland, a leader of the Environmental Protection Information Center at Redway in Humboldt County and a principal author of the Forests Forever initiative, said the measure is aimed primarily at the large timber companies. He said the impact of the measure on smaller operators is being greatly exaggerated.

Sutherland called the stepped-up logging "quite disturbing" and said his group is meeting with attorneys to see about going to court to force the state to stop it. "We've been fishing around for someone who's willing to fund a lawsuit," he said. "We haven't found anyone yet."

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Humboldt Area Sizzles Over 'Redwood Summer'

Tension high for anti-logging protests

By Elliot Diring and George Snyder
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"Redwood Summer" is here, and although it is too early to tell whether the trickle of anti-logging protesters arriving in Northern California will swell to a flood, the natives are nervous.

Up and down the North Coast, as environmentalists busily map strategy for a wave of demonstrations calling attention to the fate of the forests, local authorities, lumber companies and ordinary citizens are hoping that all hell doesn't break loose.

The protesters promise they will be peaceful — nonviolence training is mandatory. Yet tension between those who want to pro-

tect the forests and those who earn their living from them are running high, and it may not take much to push things over the edge.

A few days ago, mills shut down early so workers could stage a rally near Eureka to show the environmentalists they will not give up without a fight.

"There is but one endangered species," forklift operator and union leader Bonnie Sue Smith told the crowd of 4,000. "That is you."

"If we don't stand together, these radical rebels are going to do

away with us," Smith warned her fellow workers. "If this happens, there will be blood in the streets. I'm afraid this could be a war which could not be controlled until it's too late."

Jackluster Start

For all the hype and counter-hype, Redwood Summer appears to be off to a jackluster start. A

nationwide call for college students, retirees and others sympathetic to the cause to take to the redwoods — just as the civil rights Freedom Riders took to the South in the summer of 1961 — so far has drawn only a few dozen supporters from other states.

The first mass demonstration is set for June 20 at Samoa, near Eureka, where Louisiana-Pacific loads rough-cut boards onto ships bound for its newly opened finishing mill in Mexico. Other big events will be announced later in the summer. Organizers say other protests — in and out of the woods — will happen more spontaneously, without warning.

Some enlistees got their first taste of civil disobedience last Wednesday, when 15 people hiked into an old-growth stand near Eureka for a brief standoff with loggers for Pacific Lumber Co. The next day, 50 protesters gathered at the Port of Sacramento to rail against log exports, but the freighter they were hoping to point to had left for Japan the day before.

Despite the slow start, protest organizers say hundreds — perhaps thousands — of people will be streaming into California to join the summer campaign.

"We're getting tons of calls and requests for information," said Betty Ball of the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah, one of the centers of Redwood Summer activity. "Yesterday I heard from Boulder, Colorado; Wisconsin, Michigan, Philadelphia and Texas."

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Oakland Bombing

Some, no doubt, are drawn by the drama and intrigue of an event late last month that put Redwood Summer on the evening news before it began — the mysterious car bombing in Oakland that injured Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, two North Coast leaders of the radical band Earth First!

It was Bari, a veteran of the peace and labor movements, who announced plans for Redwood Summer on March 20 outside the Humboldt County Jail in Eureka, where Cherney and a friend were about to spend five days for perching themselves way up in redwoods owned by Pacific Lumber.

Now that Redwood Summer has arrived, Bari is in the hospital recovering from the car blast while authorities try to put together a case showing that she and Cherney were knowingly carrying the bomb when it accidentally went off.

The central role of Earth First! — which for 10 years has advocated tree-spiking and other acts of "ecotage" to defend the environment — lent Redwood Summer an air of apprehension from the start. To some, the bombing merely confirmed what they suspected all along.

But bombs have not been part of the Earth First! arsenal in the past, and Bari and Cherney insist they were the targets, not the plot-

ters. A self-professed "Lord's avenger" has claimed responsibility for the blast in a Bible-quoting letter that has yet to be accepted as authentic. Prosecutors have filed no charges.

Bari's supporters say it is absurd to think she was toying with explosives after all she had done to keep Redwood Summer nonviolent. Taking a singularly nonviolent stance, she persuaded fellow Earth First! organizers on the North Coast to renounce tree-spiking.

"I'm convinced it was a murder attempt," said Missouri graduate student Ron Green, 32, who first spoke to Bari by long-distance telephone when he caught wind of Redwood Summer and decided he was on his way.

Front Lines of Fight

Green, who plans to spend the summer in the Humboldt area, was already fighting to prevent clear-cutting on a national forest in his home state. "But this is like the front lines of the whole issue," he said. "That's why I'm here."

The bombing has also generated sympathy, if not outright support, from some mainstream environmentalists who would rather focus on lawsuits, voter initiatives and other, less dramatic forms of protest.

"The general feeling (before) was that Earth First! was too radical," said Ukiah attorney Dave Nelson, a longtime environmentalist. "But the bombing of Judi Bari has turned a lot of that around, and a lot of people — moderates — are now on their side, even if they don't always approve of the tactics."

Fears of Violence

Still, many environmentalists are keeping their distance. The Sierra Club issued a resolution last week saying that "as an organization which pursues its goals through legal means, it cannot condone civil disobedience. It urged voters to support the 'Big Green' and 'Forests Forever' initiatives on the November ballot.

"We're nervous," said Robert (Woods) Sutherland, a co-author of

the sweeping reforms proposed in the "Forests Forever" measure. "We've communicated to them our discomfort with the bad press they may end up generating ... Just because one side pledges non-violence doesn't mean the other side will."

Lynn Johnstone, who drove logging trucks for 10 years and is now co-owner of the Longvale Feed & Food Store north of Willits, shares that worry.

"I'm afraid this whole thing is going to result in violence. I think a logging truck will be coming down the road full speed somewhere and run over somebody, just like that guy with the train," he said, referring to Brian Willson, whose legs were severed by a locomotive during a protest in 1967 at the Concord Naval Weapons Station.

"I do respect the people's right to dissent," said the grizzled Johnstone, "but I feel that the working man will be the scapegoat, the people who make their living in the woods."

"The people who come up here to demonstrate, and who have their hot tubs and all, they want to have their cake and eat it too. If they want wood, they are going to have to cut trees."

The timber companies — the real targets of the protests — say they are doing what they can to keep things from getting out of hand.

"We met with our entire workforce last week and strongly urged them to take the high road in any type of confrontation," said Mary Bullwinkel of Pacific Lumber. "We continue to maintain a non-violent position on this whole thing."

Lawmen Getting Ready

Local authorities are not counting on good intentions from either side.

Humboldt County Undersheriff Thomas Hellmann said his deputies are being trained in the "use

of force in nonviolent demonstrations." If the situation warrants, the department is also prepared to call in officers from other jurisdictions or to deputize local citizens.

"There's equal application of the law on both sides," said Hellmann. "We're taking a neutral position, and we're speaking with both sides. They know our position."

For now, Redwood Summer is still struggling with logistics — lining up places for people to stay, training demonstrators in first aid and nonviolence, organizing them into "affinity groups" so they can make decisions by consensus, and finding places to set up "base camps."

By summer's end, it should be clear whether their aggressive tactics have helped or hindered the cause. Outside the Port of Sacramento last week, it appeared that the fight for California's forests was striking a sympathetic chord with people of all sorts.

Passing truckers honked in support, a college student dressed in blue blazer and tie who insisted he was "not a liberal" joined the protest, and demonstrators were taken aback by a middle-aged woman in a pink sun dress who ran over from a nearby business and declared, "What can I do to help?"

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By fall of this year, the Environmental Center in Eureka said, it is getting more people and money for information.



Johnstone, owner of a store north of Willets, is afraid the whole thing is going to result in violence.

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Tough rhetoric, benign actions mark Earth First!

Critics call it
'ecoterrorism,' but
activists reject
lawless reputation

Second of two articles

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Earth First!'s hot rhetoric
makes it hard for law enforcement
and loggers to think cool thoughts
about the radical environmental
movement.

Its slogan — *No compromise in
defense of Mother Earth* — and
advocacy of direct action to thwart
projects it deems environmentally
harmful put its adversaries on
edge.

As a practical matter, Earth
First! "actions," such as demon-
strating, tree-sitting and blockad-
ing logging roads, tend to be rela-
tively benign, despite its tough talk.
And it has moderated its message
in the last year.

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But the antic
Earth First! spirit,
which inspired
some of its climb-
ers to attempt to
unfurl a save-the-
Earth banner high
up on the Golden
Gate Bridge in
April, can take on

a mean, self-righteous edge.

"Ecoterrorists" is a favorite epi-
thet employed by critics to describe
Earth First'ers.

That there are some serious
eco-vandals out there was made
clear in April, when an entity call-
ing itself the Earth Night Action
Group knocked down three PG&E
transmission lines in Santa Cruz
County, cutting off power to 10,000
customers. Earth First! spokes-
people denied responsibility for the
incident, which is still under inves-
tigation.

In another case, Earth First!
co-founder David Foreman and
three other suspects are accused of
conspiring to sabotage Central Ari-
zona Project power lines. (Two of
Foreman's co-defendants were ar-
rested when they were allegedly in
the act of cutting off the legs of a
power line tower with a blowtorch.)
They go on trial Sept. 5.

And Oakland police still are try-
ing to make a case against Earth
First! organizers Darryl Cherney
and Judi Bari, who are suspected of
— but not charged with — trans-
porting the bomb that exploded in
their car and injured them May 24.

Abbey book an inspiration

Earth First! was founded in
1978 by five self-styled "redneck
environmentalist" men, inspired
by the late Edward Abbey's novel,
"The Monkey Wrench Gang."

Earth First! was identified from
the outset with "monkeywrench-
ing" tactics, such as tree-spiking,
sabotaging logging and mining
equipment, and "de-surveying"
wilderness roads by pulling up sur-

vey stakes.

Earth First! activists insist that
the group's lawless reputation is a
bum rap, pinned on it by shallow
reporters and overzealous law-en-
forcement officials.

Because they figure that law en-
forcement is always looking over
their shoulders, "every environ-
mentalist who is at all active goes
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is tapped. We would be fools not to," said Trudy Frisk of Kamloops, B.C., medical accountant and Earth First! activist.

Bari and Cherney, organizers for the "Redwood Summer" protest against excessive logging in the North Coast woods, not only deny knowing that there was a bomb in their car but say they are victims of attempted murder. Bari, who suffered a broken pelvis in the explosion, will be hospitalized for weeks.

Supporters contend that Oakland police and the FBI were so predisposed to nail Earth First! that they rushed to blame the victims and refuse to look into the possibility that the bombing may have been perpetrated by some element of the timber industry.

Foreman is the author of "Ecodfense: A Field Guide to Monkeywrenching," which explains and diagrams techniques such as tree spiking, equipment sabotage, lock jamming, tire puncturing and cutting down power lines.

The preface includes an explicit denial that the author advocates any of the practices described, a good example of Earth First!'s penchant for deniability.

Earth First!, despite its commitment to aggressive environmental action, has been backing away from incendiary rhetoric for the past year.

"Do not use the word terrorist in any way," Nancy Morton, Foreman's wife, told an Earth First! gathering shortly after his arrest. "That's a false label. I don't think we should even joke about it."

"Earth First! is not just a bunch of thugs," said Frisk, the Canadian activist. "These are well-read, well-informed people who understand what's happening on this planet. They feel a sense of loss. They are defending their home."

The group has undergone substantial change in the last year and a half. Its macho image has become more subtle, as women such as Bari have taken leadership roles and emphasized nonviolent civil dis-

obedience over monkeywrenching. Bari calls random monkeywrenching "infantile adventurism."

Radical to the bone

That Earth First! would find itself in law enforcement's crosshairs was probably inevitable.

Radical to the bone, a movement with no formal leadership, membership or organizational structure, Earth First! attracts environmental activists but exerts no control over those who claim tribal affiliation with it.

Consequently, every violent or damaging action potentially attributable to it also is plausibly deniable.

"As long as we don't do anything stupid, we're in the clear, unless we're framed," said Roger Featherstone of Wisconsin, a national organizer for Earth First!

Earth First! has experienced substantial growth in the last decade; its adherents now are believed to number in the thousands. Growth and age also have produced a number of splits in the movement, which began as a straight-ahead effort to save the wilderness by outdoors enthusiasts who had given up on mainstream conservation organizations and government agencies.

Many of its older members are troubled by a highly political, leftist, counter-cultural movement-within-the-movement that has been developing over the last two years. They are more comfortable with the redneck environmentalist, anti-cow cowboy image that traces its lineage to "The Monkey Wrench Gang."

As Pacific Northwest organizer Mitch Freedman remarked at Earth First!'s annual roundup, "If we are the army that's going to attack industrial civilization, we're not too well equipped to make a full frontal assault."

Bari: Ecology requires socialism

Redwood Summer is Bari's and Cherney's response to Earth First! "conservatives."

They have in motion an action much grander in scope than anything Earth First! ever has attempted. Besides organizing to bring in hundreds, perhaps thousands, of activists to the North Coast forests for nonviolent demonstrations to gum up logging operations, they envision shackling the big timber companies and creating an ecotopian environmentalist-logger alliance.

Redwood Summer, they say, is ultimately about worker empowerment as well as saving the forests.

Bari recently told the New Settler magazine: "If we don't overthrow the capitalist, we don't have a chance of saving the world ecologically.... I think it is possible to have an ecologically sound society under socialism. I do not think it is possible under capitalism."

Bari, 40, linked up with Earth First! just two years ago but has emerged as its leading spokeswoman, organizer and theoretician on the North Coast. She had, previously been active as an organizer for the postal and retail clerks union in the East and, before that, as a college Yippie in Maryland.

"The reason that I jump from movement to movement as it may appear... is not because I am an activist junkie; it's because I believe it is all one struggle," Bari said. "It's a struggle on many fronts, and I work on the front that is the closest to me. And where I am now, the closest to me is the forest."

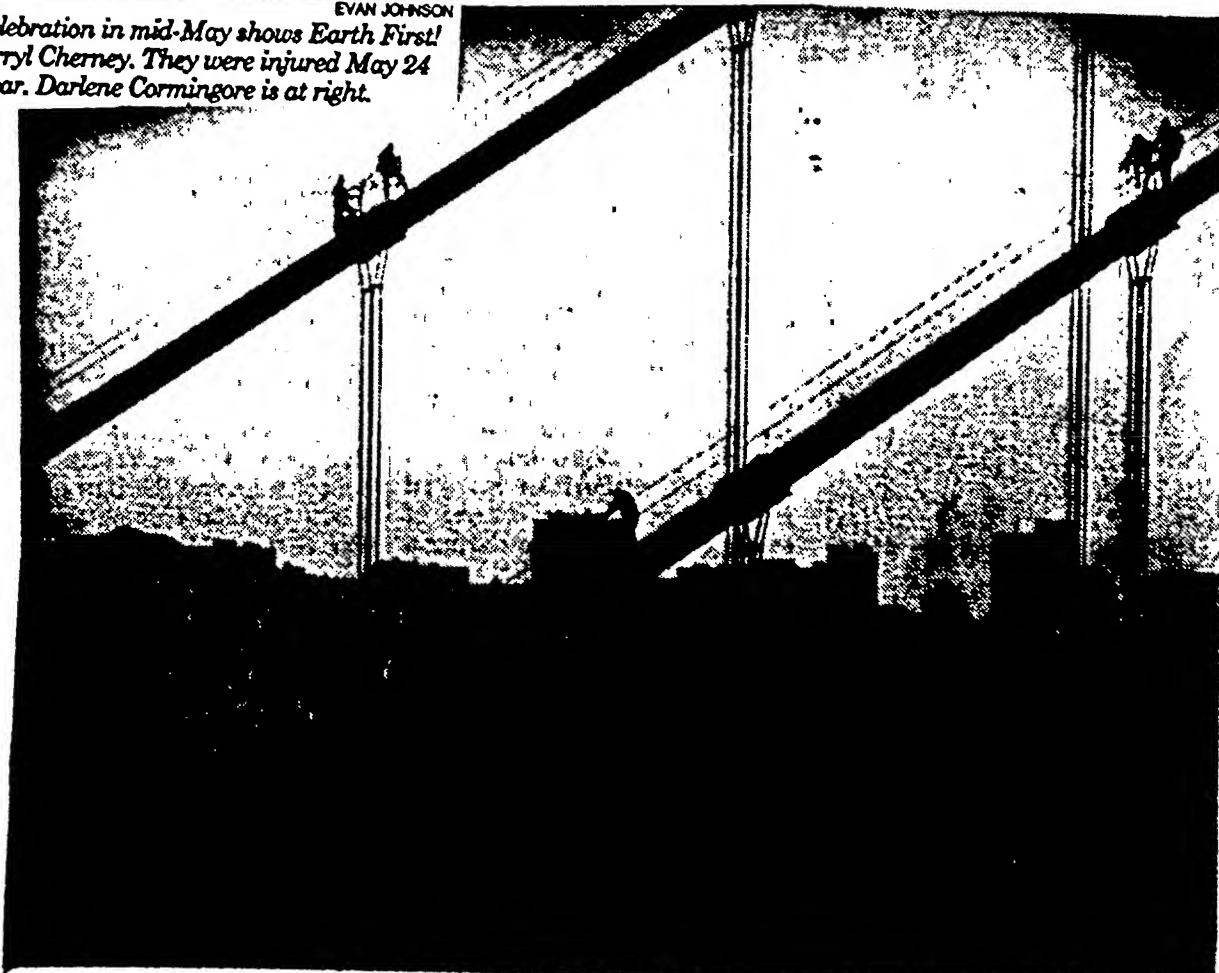
The indefatigable Cherney, 33, a New Yorker and professional publicist before moving to California and taking up the cause of old-growth forests four years ago, is one of Earth First!'s pre-eminent troubadours and image makers. He acknowledges Bari's pre-eminence as theoretician and organizer.

"Judi gives me labor and politics. I give her music and wu," he said. "Wu" or "WuWu" is Earth First! talk for the mystical, magical, parapsychological aspect of the wilderness rapture that overtakes wilderness lovers and inspires them to howl at the moon and vow to save the Earth.



EVAN JOHNSON

Photo from Redwood Summer celebration in mid-May shows Earth First! activists Judi Bari, left, and Darryl Cherney. They were injured May 24 when a bomb exploded in their car. Darlene Cormingore is at right.



Earth First! protesters who climbed towers of Golden Gate Bridge were led down and arrested in April.

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Group showed contempt for U.S. Forest Service by hanging Smokey the Bear in effigy at camp in New Mexico

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Evidence List Released In Earth First! Bombing

Police holding nails, tape, wires, batteries

By Sharon McCormick
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

A list of items seized by police during a probe of the explosion that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney has been released for public scrutiny, but lawyers for the environmentalists pressed yesterday for direct access to the evidence.

Court documents, which were filed in Oakland Municipal Court, detail the belongings and other items the investigators found during a search of Bari's property in Redwood Valley (Mendocino County), the Berkeley home of one of her friends and Bari's car, the white Subaru station wagon in which a pipe bomb exploded May 24.

The seized goods include a box of finishing nails, duct tape, red and white wires and Duracell batteries that investigators contend match other items recovered from Bari's car after the bomb, laden with nails, blew up, the court papers said. Items recovered from the car included remnants of the bomb and a bagful of nails, according to the documents.

Oakland police contend that the evidence shows that Bari and Cherney were "knowingly carrying" the bomb, court papers said.

Bari and Cherney have not been charged and maintain they were the targets because of their anti-logging stance.

Demand for Access

Yesterday, their lawyers — Richard Ingram of Santa Rosa and Douglas Horngrad of San Francisco — went to court to demand access to the material seized by police. Earth First! lawyers and private investigators are trying to conduct their own probe of the explosion.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey refused, however, to allow the lawyers to view, handle and inspect the evidence being held by police and federal agents. In denying the requests, Ramsey said he would set "a terrible precedent" and create "a great potential for mischief ... in a potential criminal investigation."

That investigation, Ramsey said, takes precedence over any civil matter that might be pursued by Earth First! lawyers, who have threatened to sue police for mishandling the case.

Ramsey granted one request from Ingram and ordered that a chain-link fence be set up around Bari's impounded car — at her expense. The vehicle has been stored under a tarpaulin in a police lot beneath Interstate 880 in Oakland.

Ingram argued that police had not taken adequate measures to protect the car, which is being held as evidence, from vandalism, dust, chemical changes and exhaust emissions. "We're trying to preserve the evidence, if any," he said.

Ingram also said he does not believe there will be charges filed.

No Decision on Charges

Alameda County Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter said he does not plan to decide whether to file charges against Bari and Cherney until Monday at the earliest. Some of the evidence seized by police is being tested by FBI bomb experts in Washington, and Carpenter said he expects to receive results of the tests later this week.

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Activists' lawyers denied evidence

Judge rejects bid by Earth First! defense to see items in bombing case

By Andy Furillo
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Attorneys representing two Earth First! activists injured when a bomb detonated in their automobile in Oakland last month have been denied access to evidence gathered by investigators.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. said Tuesday that allowing the lawyers to examine the evidence before charges have been filed would set "terrible precedent" and carry a "great potential for mischief."

Ramsey, however, ordered that the automobile in which the activists were riding at the time of the explosion be fenced off in the Oakland Police Department impound yard to keep its evidentiary value from being disturbed.

The judge scheduled another hearing on the attorneys' request for Friday, one day after an FBI expert is to examine the car.

The Earth First! activists, Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari, were injured May 24 when a bomb exploded in their car while they were passing Oakland High School. Oakland police suspect the two were transporting the device. However, Cherney and Bari say they were targeted for murder.

Their attorneys were seeking an order from Ramsey allowing them to take possession of the car, in-

spect it themselves, gain access to evidence compiled by law enforcement officers and stand by while the FBI inspects the vehicle.

Santa Rosa lawyer Richard Ingram, who is representing Bari, said his main concern was to preserve the evidence for a civil suit he is preparing to file against the Oakland Police Department.

Ingram said he feared that auto emissions from the Nimitz Freeway, which runs over the police impound yard, and routine oxidation could tarnish residues from the explosion.

But in denying Ingram immediate access to the white Subaru four-door hatchback, Ramsey said, "You're going to have to wait," adding that the request came in the midst of "a potential criminal investigation."

"I don't think we're in position" to intervene, he said. "I think it would be terrible precedent for civil attorneys to involve themselves in the actions of a criminal investigation," Ramsey said. "It has great potential for mischief."

Ramsey ordered that investigating agencies maintain a list of evidence they seized from the vehicle to be turned over to defense attorneys if charges were filed. He also ordered that Oakland officials "make a request of federal authorities to preserve evidence taken from the car."

Cherney and Bari are due in court Monday, but Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter said there was no guarantee authorities would have decided by then whether to file charges against the two.

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No access to blast evidence

Earth First! lawyers' request on car security OK'd

By Barry Witt

Mercury News Oakland Bureau

OAKLAND — Attorneys for two radical environmentalists injured in a bomb blast last month lost a bid on Monday to gain access to the evidence in the case before the ongoing criminal investigation is finished.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. told the attorneys he would set "a terrible precedent" with "great potential for mischief" if he were to attempt to compel Oakland police and the FBI to open their investigation to representatives of injured activists Jodi Bari and Darryl Cherney, who are suspects in the case.

Ramsey did grant the attorneys' request to put a fence around the remnants of Bari's Subaru station wagon, which has been sitting in the Oakland police impound lot beneath Interstate 880 since it blew

up May 24. They also can put a tarp over the car to protect it from the elements and preserve its condition while the investigation is being conducted. The attorneys for the two members of Earth First! contend the car can be tampered with in the lot, where numerous police officers and tow truck drivers have access to it.

The attorneys had argued that they need access to the evidence — including the bomb remnants pulled out of the car — in order to pursue an investigation into who put the bomb there, in anticipation of a civil suit against the assailants.

But Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter said after the hearing that he believed environmentalists' potential criminal defense, not a civil suit, was really the issue.

"They want to get to the evidence as fast as they can," Carpenter said.

Oakland police arrested Bari, 40, and Cherney, 34, on suspicion of transporting the pipe bomb, hours after it exploded. Court documents indicate that investigators found a bag of nails in Bari's car identical to the type taped to the 12-inch-long bomb. The district attorney has declined to press criminal charges, pending further review of the evidence.

An FBI bomb expert from Washington — who has been examining the remains of the pipe bomb and another that partially exploded at a Cloverdale lumber mill last month — is scheduled to arrive in Oakland on Thursday to inspect the car.

Another hearing on the environmentalists' access to the evidence is scheduled for Friday to determine if the criminal investigation is complete by then.

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Photo of activist with gun clouds claims of pacifism

By Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

Judi Bari, one of the Earth First! activists injured in an Oakland car bomb explosion last month, was once photographed holding an Uzi sub-machine gun — a pose her supporters insist was only a joke.

But authorities, who consider Bari a suspect in the bombing case, say the photo undermines the pacifist claims of Earth First!

The picture of Bari, taken by a friend, was published last year in the Anderson Valley Advertiser, an eccentric, leftist Mendocino County news-weekly.

Under the caption, "AVA Poster Gal of the Week," Bari is pictured wearing an Earth First! T-shirt, jeans and a camouflage cap and is standing in the woods holding the gun.

Advertiser Publisher Bruce Anderson and other acquaintances of Bari familiar with the photo insist it is no indication that she would engage in violence.

"It was a joke, a take-off on the old Patty Hearst SLA photo," said Anderson. He was referring to a picture of the kidnapped newspaper heiress holding an automatic weapon while she was in the Symbionese Liberation Army in 1974.

Anderson said Bari suggested the picture idea to him.

"Judi has a very wild sense of humor. The more literal-minded residents of the area have a difficult time keeping up with her. So we figured, here, let them chew on this one."

"For Judi, everything is open o, a joke," said another acquaintance, who asked not to be named.

Bari and fellow Earth First! activist Darryl Cherney, who also was injured in the bomb blast, have steadfastly maintained their commitment to non-violence. They said they were targets of the Oakland bombing because of their environmental activism, particularly their cen-

tral roles in organizing a "Redwood Summer" of protests against logging companies this year.

But authorities consider them suspects in the bombing, saying there is physical evidence that indicates the pair was transporting the device when it accidentally exploded.

Law enforcement officials also have said Earth First! members are suspected of engaging in acts of sabotage and vandalism against corporations accused of polluting the environment and other targets.

Last year, the picture of Bari holding a weapon was circulated among law enforcement agencies monitoring the "Redwood Summer" campaign. Copies of the photo recently were obtained by authorities probing the Oakland bombing.

Some law enforcement sources said the picture further undermines claims by Earth First! that they are not involved in violence.

Bari, who suffered a fractured pelvis in the bomb blast, remained in Highland Hospital yesterday and was not granting interviews. Her attorney could not be reached for comment.

People who know Bari and Cherney insist the pair have been adamant that their environmental protests be peaceful.

Anderson said he believes the weapon in the photo was only "some kind of kid's gun."

But authorities said the Uzi depicted in the picture appears to be genuine.

Authorities currently are awaiting the results of FBI lab tests on fragments of the bomb that detonated in Bari's car. Sources said they have found finishing nails, wire and duct tape in Bari's car or home and in Cherney's van or house that may match components of the bomb. Meanwhile, attorneys for Cherney and Bari lost their bid

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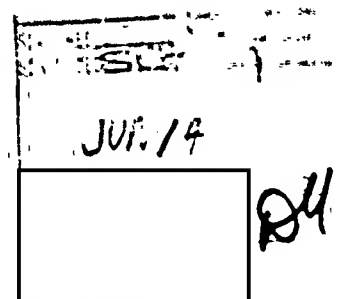
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yesterday to have the damaged car removed from police custody.

Because their clients face possible criminal charges, attorneys Richard Ingram and Douglas Horngrad filed petitions in Superior Court to gain access to the car and evidence gathered by police and the FBI to have the evidence preserved and tested by their own experts. The lawyers, who have maintained that their clients are victims, not suspects, also indicated that Bari and Cherney may file a civil lawsuit for damage if it is determined that others were responsible for the bombing.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. turned down most of the lawyers' requests but scheduled another hearing for Friday to hear additional arguments on removing the car from its present location and on whether the attorneys' experts can inspect the vehicle after police and the FBI complete their examination.

Ramsey did grant Ingram permission yesterday to have a fence placed around the car to protect it from being damaged by other vehicles. And he ordered Oakland police investigators to keep a complete list of inventory removed from the car, which would be turned over to attorneys only if required to do so by a judge presiding over a criminal or civil proceeding.

— *Tribune Staff writers Will Jones, Marie Felde and Garry Chandler contributed to this report.*



Her friends claim Judi Bari posed with an Uzi as a joke.

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Photo of Earth First! activist causes furor

Bari is shown holding a gun

By Andy Furillo
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

Ukiah police officials say they distributed to other Northern California law enforcement agencies a photograph of environmental activist Judi Bari carrying what appears to be an Uzi submachine gun.

Sgt. Dan Walker said Tuesday that Ukiah police mailed out the picture of Bari "for law enforcement purposes and safety purposes."

Bari was injured last month when a bomb exploded in her car on an Oakland street.

Walker said a "confidential informant" a year ago gave Ukiah police a black-and-white glossy photo of Bari dressed in an Earth First! T-shirt, a camouflage cap and holding the gun.

The photo already had been published in the Anderson Valley Advertiser and was described by the paper's publisher as "a small joke."

"We filed the photograph and never brought it out until the Earth First! activity materialized — the bombing, specifically, and their vo-

cal attitude regarding their activities," Walker said. "We thought it would behoove us to let other law enforcement agencies be aware of the photograph. A picture is worth a thousand words."

Walker said that on June 1 Ukiah police mailed the photo to the Oakland Police Department and six other police agencies. That was eight days after Bari and fellow Earth First! organizer Darryl Cherney were hurt when the bomb exploded in their car. It happened as they were helping to organize the "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protests.

Oakland police arrested Bari and Cherney on suspicion of transporting an explosive device. No charges have been filed.

Bari and Cherney say they received numerous death threats and that the blast was the work of a would-be killer. They describe themselves as non-violent activists in the tradition of Martin Luther King Jr.

Cherney said the picture was only "a joke. A lot of people are misinterpreting artistic endeavor."

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ors." He declined to comment further.

The photo appeared about a year ago in the weekly Anderson Valley Advertiser, which its publisher, Bruce Anderson, describes as a left-wing, community-based newspaper. A caption with the photo said, "AVA Poster Gal of the Week."

Anderson said the photo was originally taken for the cover of an album, to be entitled "They Sure Don't Make Hippies Like They Used To." Bari and Cherney were recording it at the time.

"It would be an obvious contradiction: hippies, peace and love, and a bunch of funny, environmentally based songs, then you're going to put this Patty Hearst takeoff on the cover," Anderson said, referring to the mid-1970s photo of the rifle-toting newspaper heiress in Symbionese Liberation Army garb.

"We ran it as a very small joke," he added. "Now, of course, apparently the Oakland Police Department is seizing upon it as evidence of her violent inclinations."

Anderson said he doesn't know whether the gun in the picture is real.

One of Bari's attorneys, Richard Ingram of Santa Rosa, said it is "an absolute absurdity, using this photo to claim Judi Bari is a violent person."



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Judi Bari of Earth First! posed for this photo last year.

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Police Probing 3-Year-Old Photo Of Earth First! Leader With Gun

By Lonn Johnston
Chronicle Staff Writer

A photograph of Earth First! leader Judi Bari wielding an Uzi submachine gun — a picture her friends say was a long-forgotten gag — is now being circulated by investigators who are probing the May 24 explosion that injured Bari and Darryl Cherney.

Investigators said yesterday that they have obtained copies of the controversial photograph and are seeking information about it. Although friends of the two Earth First! leaders said the picture was intended to be humorous, law enforcement officers apparently are not amused.

"Maybe I don't have a sense of humor, but I don't think it's very funny," said Duke Diedrich, an FBI spokesman in San Francisco.

Diedrich said the FBI wants to talk with anyone familiar with the history of the picture, although he added, "I'm not sure at the moment it has any particular bearing on the bombing."

Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, were injured — Bari seriously — when a pipe bomb exploded in her car as the two were driving in Oakland three weeks ago.

No Charges Filed

Although the two were initially arrested on suspicion of transporting a bomb, no charges were filed and the two were released from custody. Bari, Cherney, and their supporters contend that the two were victims of an assassination attempt because of their group's militant anti-logging stance.

Friends of the Earth First! leaders expressed disdain yesterday that police are interested in the photograph.

Bari's attorney, Richard Ingram, said the picture is being

leaked to the press as a "smear tactic."

"To bring this photograph out now as proof positive that Judi Bari had some responsibility for the explosive device is absurd — it's either a smear or disingenuous if they know the context of how it was taken," said Ingram, who had

yet to speak to Bari about the photo.

"It certainly does seem like one more attempt to implicate them in acts of violence," said Joanna Robinson of Earth First! and a friend of Bari. "These people are pacifists. And then they get blown up and accused of doing it. It's stunning."

In the photograph, Bari is wearing an Earth First! T-shirt and dungarees, standing in the forest with an Uzi cradled in her arm. The picture is captioned, "AVA Poster Gal of the Week."

Bruce Anderson, publisher of the Anderson Valley Advertiser, and other friends of Bari said the picture was taken more than three years ago as a gag photograph to appear on an album cover of folksy environmental songs. Bari and Cherney had recorded called "They Sure Don't Make Hippies Like They Used To."

"It was just a joke, clearly fun and games" said Anderson, a close friend of Bari. "It was supposed to be reminiscent of Patty Hearst and the SLA."

Photo Published

But Anderson said Bari and Cherney did not like the photograph and did not consider it funny. When they wanted to throw it away, Anderson said, he asked for it and published it last year to fill empty space in his newspaper.

Bari, who suffered a broken hip in the explosion and is recuper-

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ating at Highland Hospital in Oakland, could not be reached for comment yesterday.

Sergeant Dan Walker of the Ukiah Police Department said his agency received a copy of the photo about one year ago from "a confidential informant." The photo came with a list of Earth First! related activities that Bari was planning, he said.

Walker said "we did circulate" the photo to other Northern California law enforcement agencies, including the FBI. He said the picture was distributed at the beginning of June, after the bombing. "That kind of motivated us to get busy," he said.

Chronicle correspondent Ron Sonenshine contributed to this report



BY ANDERSON VALLEY ADVERTISER

Earth First! leader Judi Bari posed with a submachine gun

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JON CARROLL

The Thing That Is Going On Now

MOST OF US suspect by now that something is going on; let me at least propose a theory that accounts for most of the known facts. We know, for instance, that the United States faces no substantial political or military threat at this time. The nations that are stronger than we are are not hostile to us; the nations that are hostile to us are much weaker and seemingly unable to form alliances.

On the other hand, we have a large number of organizations in place designed to protect the United States from any and all political threats. These organizations, like all organisms, want to survive; in order to survive, they need a threat.

Since there are no political threats to order, these institutions have turned to cultural or aesthetic threats to order. Because these threats are not "crimes" in the sense that we generally understand that word, it is necessary to either redefine the word in terms of the new activities, or redefine the activities in terms of the traditional meaning of "crime."

Some of these instances are obvious: the recent 2 Live Crew bust, for example. If their lyrics had been published in a high-minded book called "Voices From the Streets" that had sold 126 copies in tiny inner city bookstores, there would have been no police action. 2 Live Crew's crime was cultural — they were loud, popular, blatant and black.

Cloaking this attempt at censorship as concern for feminism is particularly reprehensible. I would suggest that being homeless is far more degrading to a woman than any opinion expressed by 2 Live Crew; I would suggest that illegal abortion mills were (and would be again) far more degrading.

OTHER INSTANCES of the new cultural repression are, I think, less obvious. The docu-

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mented federal campaign against Earth First! falls into that category.

Now, it is my opinion that Earth First! is a politically trivial organization; that the consensus-oriented environmental groups (like the Nature Conservancy and Friends of the River) have done the real trench work in protecting and preserving the biosphere.

Earth First! is the theatrical end of the environmental movement; its impact is aesthetic. Because it deals effectively in the manipulation of symbols, it represents a threat to order. That's why it's the target of all that FBI attention.

I have no idea what actually happened in that Oakland car bombing. It is clear, however, that the authorities had held the trial and handed down convictions long before the facts were

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gathered. And yet why? What has Earth First! done? At most, one instance of one man injured by a tree spike — that's it. More people have died in cars driven by Ted Kennedy, as the old La-Rouche slogan had it.

THE THEATRICAL NATURE of the actions, the boldness of the contempt for authority — that's the problem. The recent assault against computer hackers is another example. These events are under- or misreported, because they're hard to explain to a general audience.

Nevertheless, real people are losing real property and real liberties in things like the NuPrometheus bust. And yet what was the crime? Someone ripped off, via computer, an utterly trivial telephone company memo. That's not even as nasty as a tree spike, but the reaction has been swift and powerful.

Hacking, I believe, is essentially an aesthetic movement, an effort to reclaim for the individual control of the new information technologies. That's the "crime"; that's the thing that's going on now.

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Earth First! Serenade

Darryl Cherney sang to fellow Earth First! organizer Judi Bari yesterday in Oakland's Highland Hospital, where Bari is recovering from injuries suffered in a May 24 car bomb blast that also injured Cherney. Police suspect that the two radical environmentalists were transporting the explosive device that demolished Bari's Subaru station wagon, but the two say they were victims of a bomb attack, possibly by those angry at Earth First!'s campaign to stop the cutting of redwoods on the North Coast. No formal charges have been filed in the case.



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Decision on Earth First! bomb prosecution due by next Friday

By Andy Furillo
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An Alameda County prosecutor says that a decision will be made within a week on whether to file criminal charges against two environmental activists injured when a bomb blew up in their car last month.

"I think there will be a decision by next Friday," Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter said Thursday.

Carpenter spoke as he walked away from the Oakland Police Department parking lot where a team of FBI agents from Washington,

D.C., examined the automobile in which the two Earth First! activists, Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari, were driving at the time of the May 24 explosion.

No results of the FBI scan were made available.

Prosecutors were expected to announce their decision on whether to file charges in the case on Monday in Oakland Municipal Court, but Carpenter said the delay was at the request one of the attorneys representing Bari, Susan B. Jordan, who is participating in an unrelated trial in Eureka.

Meanwhile, attorneys for Cherney and Bari were scheduled to

appear in Alameda County Superior Court on Friday to find out if the FBI is through inspecting the car so they can begin their own examination of the vehicle.

Rich Ingram, another one of Bari's lawyers, said that if the request is denied, he will ask Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. for permission to place the automobile in a container to preserve the evidentiary value of the residues from the explosive device.

Bari and Cherney deny they were transporting the bomb. They say the explosion was an attempt to murder them.

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Injured Earth First! activist Judi Bari is serenaded by Darryl Cherney, who was in the car explosion with her. SANTA ROSA PRESS DEMOCRAT

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Earth First! sees conspiracy

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

Within hours of the explosion that ripped through their car on May 24, Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were labeled violent terrorists by investigators and arrested for transporting the bomb that injured them.

More than three weeks later, no charges have been filed. And despite Bari's and Cherney's insistence that they were targets of an assassination attempt because of their environmental activism, the two organizers of Redwood Summer remain the only suspects in the controversial case.

No matter what happens now, the investigation has sparked sharp criticism from environmental activists and civil libertarians about law enforcement's response to political movements.

While they acknowledge that Earth First! has advocated spiking trees and sabotaging logging equipment, activists charge that the group has become the latest victim in a long history of political surveillance and suspicion.

It is a history that spans the targeting of union organizers in the 1920s and '30s, the investigation of alleged communists in the '40s and '50s, and the surveillance of civil rights and anti-war protesters in the '60s. Today, critics say, the focus is on peace, anti-nuclear and environmental activists.

"The fact that the FBI is convinced that we're an underground conspiracy has really tainted the investigation," said Mike Roselle of Berkeley, one of the co-founders of Earth First! "From the very beginning, they assumed that Judi and Darryl were guilty and started making statements to the press, which resulted in a very bad image for two people who were victims."

Police and FBI spokesmen deny there is any political motive behind their investigations.

"We don't investigate politics," said Duke Diedrich, an FBI spokesman in San Francisco. "We investigate crime."

Last month, Alameda County prosecutors declined to file charges against Cherney and Bari, saying there was not enough evidence to support a case. However, the investigation is continuing and authorities are awaiting the results of FBI lab tests.

No other suspects

"I'm still optimistic," Oakland police Lt. ~~Mike~~ Sims said. "We're still looking at them as suspects. We haven't identified anyone else. We haven't come up with any information to indicate they were victims and not suspects."

Diedrich said the FBI does not disagree with Oakland's evaluation of the case. But at the same time, he said, federal investigators "have not ruled out the possibility" that Bari and Cherney were victims. However, he said the FBI also has no other suspects.

Meanwhile, there are signs that surveillance of the group is increasing.

Authorities say there is good reason. They say members of Earth First! downed power lines in Arizona and are suspected of spiking trees in Montana, where a 9-month-old investigation continues.

"What you have is a militant faction of that group," said Hedy Ammos, a criminal intelligence specialist with the state Attorney General's Office. "There is a group of outstanding citizens in Earth First! but it looks like there's a criminal element."

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But Earth First! says investigators have targeted the group and assumed that all of its members are violent.

Arizona probe

As evidence, they cite a \$2 million, 2½-year undercover investigation of Earth First! by the FBI in Arizona, involving 50 agents — one of whom infiltrated the group for at least a year. Court documents and a transcript of a bugged conversation by the infiltrator, who forgot his microphone was on, revealed that the FBI hoped "to get" Earth First! co-founder Dave Foreman "to send a message."

Foreman and three others face trial this fall on charges stemming from the disabling of pumps at a water project. The government alleges the action was a trial run for a plan to cut power lines leading to three nuclear power plants, including Diablo Canyon.

In California, activists say, law enforcement actions against Earth First! also have grown as the group has become more visible.

After the car bombing, Ukiah police sent other agencies a photograph of Bari wearing an Earth First! T-shirt and a camouflage hat and holding what appears to be a submachine gun. The photo, a parody of the widely publicized picture of heiress Patricia Hearst during her captivity by the Symbionese Liberation Army, was published last year in the Anderson Valley Advertiser as a joke, according to Bari and Bruce Anderson, the paper's publisher.

The FBI is investigating Earth First! in connection with the April 23 downing of power lines in Santa Cruz and the May 9 explosion of a pipe bomb at a Louisiana-Pacific sawmill in Cloverdale, which caused minor damage to a building.

Group claims role

Earth First! has denied any knowledge of the Santa Cruz incident. An organization called "Earth Night Action Group" has claimed responsibility.

In the Cloverdale case, a handwritten note left near the bomb said, "LP screws millworkers." And one week after the bombing of Bari's car in Oakland, a writer

identifying himself as "the Lord's avenger" mailed a letter to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat claiming responsibility for the Cloverdale and Oakland bombings.

The writer said he placed the bomb in Bari's car to punish her for opposing abortion foes and to discourage others from attending Redwood Summer, which Earth First! has billed as a non-violent summer of civil disobedience aimed at slowing the logging of old-growth forests on the North Coast.

In the Oakland case, the Mer-

cury News has learned that Oakland police were called into an investigation of Earth First! at least a month before the pipe bomb exploded in Bari's Subaru station wagon — even though there have been no major protests by the group in the East Bay.

Marin County angle

Oakland police were called to Marin County on April 25, the day after Earth First! activists tried to climb the Golden Gate Bridge to unfurl a banner urging "Save This Planet." It is not clear, however, who called Oakland authorities or why. A sergeant in the department's intelligence unit said he could not comment on any investigation that is under way.

Lt. Val Daniels of the California Highway Patrol's Corte Madera office said Oakland police were contacted by "another agency." Daniels declined to name the agency, but spokesmen for both the Marin County District Attorney's Office and the county's sheriff's department said they did not make the request.

During the Marin protest, several people were taken into custody on the bridge by the CHP, and Cherney and two other activists were arrested at Vista Point for trespassing. Their cars were impounded. One of the vehicles was searched without a warrant and papers from the car and Cherney's backpack were confiscated.

No charges were filed against Cherney and the other two activ-

ists. But authorities have refused to return the confiscated items, saying they are needed as evidence against the Earth First! activists arrested on the bridge.

'Excuse to ransack'

"My analysis," Cherney said, "is that it's part of the FBI campaign to cripple us by conjuring up false charges to use as an excuse to ransack our houses and take away our files in order to make us less effective."

Bari, 40, of Ukiah, and Cherney, 34, of Garberville, came to the Bay Area on May 23 to drum up support for Redwood Summer. They were on their way to the University of California, Santa Cruz when the bomb exploded.

Cherney was freed from custody after supporters posted a bond for his \$100,000 bail. Bari remains under police guard at Oakland's Highland Hospital with a fractured pelvis.

"From the moment that Oakland police realized that Judi and Darryl were activists, they immediately jumped to the conclusion they were terrorists," said Susan B. Jordan, Bari's attorney. "There's a big difference between activism and terrorism."

Oakland police say they based their conclusions about the case in part on the location of the bomb, which they believe was behind the driver's seat of Bari's car. And in court documents, an FBI expert said a bag of nails found in Bari's car was identical to those taped to remnants of the 12-inch-dia bomb.

Oakland police say politics is not an issue.

'Outrageous' charge

"My unit has all the equipment to handle with all the homegrown terrorism in the city," Sims said. "To assume we would focus this section of the city like that solely for political motives is outrageous."

Others are not so sure. "The possibility of a link between the Rain-
bow Warrior and the Earth First! movement has been much discussed in the past. Peter
Cherney, a prominent environmental activist, has been accused of being a member of Earth First! and of having
signed to the manifesto."

The Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior was preparing to sail from New Zealand to protest a French nuclear test site in the South Pacific in 1985 when explosives attached to its hull sank the vessel, killing a Greenpeace photographer. Two secret service agents for the French government were later convicted of the bombing and France agreed to pay \$7 million in damages.

"We are certainly not going to, as law enforcement has, blame the victims and then close the investigation within a few hours of the bombing," Dykstra said. "We are so thoroughly convinced that their commitment to non-violence is thorough that we've gone out of our way in a very public way to help."



Bari

Years ago it was union leaders and left-wingers, and now others are surveillance targets, activists say.



Cherney

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Earth First! charges may be filed next week

By Don Martinez
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

OAKLAND — Alameda County authorities will decide next week if there's enough evidence to file charges against Earth First! members Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33, in connection with a bombing that injured the environmentalists.

Both have denied knowledge of the explosive device that ripped through Bari's car on an Oakland street May 24.

"FBI laboratory tests have been completed, we are still conducting our investigation and we should have a decision on whether to charge by next Friday," Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said Friday.

Meanwhile, attorneys for the two environmental activists won a partial court victory Friday in ef-

orts to gain access to evidence collected by law enforcement agencies investigating the incident.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. ruled that private investigators for Cherney and Bari, who is still at Highland Hospital recovering from injuries, can inspect the car, held by Oakland police.

The court also granted a motion allowing the environmentalists' attorneys to place the car in a large metal shipping container to preserve its evidentiary value.

However, Ramsey said the private investigators could not remove parts of the car, take samples of the twisted hulk for laboratory analysis or move the car to a private laboratory in Sunnyvale.

Attorneys for the two activists say they are considering a possible lawsuit against Oakland police on grounds of false arrest.

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Earth First! allowed to inspect vehicle

By Will Jones
The Tribune

Two Earth First! activists who were injured when a bomb exploded in their car won approval from a judge yesterday to have their own experts inspect the car and to cover it in a metal container.

Experts hired by activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney will be allowed to visually inspect the car, which is in police custody, but will not be permitted to test any evidence.

The order by Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr. also permits the car to be placed in a locked metal container to protect it from deterioration.

Bari and Cherney were injured when a bomb exploded inside the car near Oakland High School on May 24.

Oakland police have said that Bari and Cherney were suspects in the bombing and initially arrested them on suspicion of possessing and transporting an explosive device.

But the District Attorney's office has not yet filed any formal charges against them.

Deputy District Attorney Christopher Carpenter said yesterday that his office will decide at a hearing in Municipal Court in Oakland next Friday whether to file charges.

Attorneys Richard Ingram and Susan Jordan, who represent Bari, said they wanted the evidence tested by their experts and preserved in the event that criminal charges are filed against Bari and Cherney.

Ingram said he's also contemplating filing a civil lawsuit

against Oakland police alleging false arrest and false imprisonment and against other people if it is determined they were responsible for the bombing.

The attorneys insist that Bari and Cherney are victims of the bombing, not suspects.

Outside of court, Jordan called Oakland police investigation of the case a "sincere and evil effort" to discredit Bari and Cherney and the Earth First! environment movement.

She charged that police first tried to discredit the pair by arresting them as suspects shortly after the bombing and that they were responsible for disseminating a photograph of Bari posing with a Uzi gun.

Police authorities have said that the photo undermines the group's claims that it is nonviolent.

But Jordan said the photo, which was first printed in the weekly Anderson Valley Advertiser, was taken as a joke and to be used on an album of environmental songs.

"Bari has denounced spiking of trees and has advocated non-violence," she said.

Neither Carpenter nor police inspector Mike Sitterud would comment on Jordan's allegations. But law enforcement officials have said that Earth First! members are suspected of spiking trees about to be cut down and performing other acts of sabotage and vandalism against corporations for allegedly polluting the environment.

Bari and Cherney were leaders in a plans by Earth First! for a "Redwood Summer" to protest logging in Mendocino and Humboldt counties.

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Judge Allows Some Inspection Of Bombed Car by Earth First!

By Michael Taylor
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

Investigators for Earth First! bombing suspects Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney may inspect Bari's car, which was demolished in an explosion last month, but cannot move the car out of a police impound lot, a judge ruled yesterday.

Under an order by Alameda County Superior Court Judge Henry Ramsey Jr., the Earth First! investigators may inspect the car's interior and exterior visually but may not take any parts from the vehicle or remove any samples for lab tests. The defense team will also be allowed to put the car in a shipping container to prevent air pollution from causing further deterioration of evidence in or on the car.

"This vehicle has a very important evidentiary aspect," said attorney Richard Ingram, who is representing Bari and Cherney in a possible civil suit against Oakland police alleging false arrest.

The Subaru station wagon is wrapped in a blue plastic tarpaulin. It is stored under the Ninth Freeway in a city lot behind the Oakland Police Department headquarters. Ingram said pollution from the thousands of cars that pass overhead each day is eating away at his clients' evidence.

After a bomb exploded in Bari's car May 24, Oakland police booked the two Earth First! leaders on suspicion of transporting explosive materials. So far, however, Alameda County authorities have declined to file charges against the pair.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Green mafia' and FBI

I am writing in connection with your Examiner article of June 10, "Green 'mafia' new target of political suspicion," by environmental writer Jane Kay. The article has liberally rearranged appearances and may be interpreted by some readers to suggest illegal or improper conduct by FBI employees or others.

It is important, especially in a democracy like ours, that any evidence of crime, regardless of who might be responsible or what their motive might be, be brought to the attention of the proper authorities. If there is an allegation of improper, if not illegal, conduct, that too can be referred to the head of the respective agency for review and disciplinary action, where appropriate.

If The Examiner has evidence of illegal or improper conduct by any FBI employee, including me, concerning this matter or any other, I encourage you to bring it directly to the attention of FBI Director William S. Sessions as well as the local or state authority where the alleged illegal act occurred.

Any suggestion that the FBI is attempting to disrupt legitimate activities is simply not true. The FBI, in fact, does have an obligation to investigate allegations of violations of federal law regardless of who might be responsible or what their motivation might have been. But given the possible conclusions of your article I am forwarding a copy to the FBI's Office of Professional Responsibility, the responsible entity of the FBI for initiating action in allegations of misconduct by employees.

RICHARD W. HELD
Special agent in charge
FBI, San Francisco

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FBI takes note of article on environmentalists

Story contains allegations of harassment, spying

Seth Rosenfeld
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

The head of the FBI in San Francisco has referred a news article alleging its agents have been harassing and spying on environmental activists to the internal FBI unit that investigates reports of agents' misconduct.

Richard W. Held, special agent in charge of the San Francisco FBI office, said in a letter dated June 11 to Examiner Publisher William R. Hearst III that he had sent the article to the FBI's Office of Professional Responsibility in Wash-

ington.

The article, which appeared in June 10 editions of The Examiner, stated that environmental activism has become a target of political suspicion and surveillance and that "It's the FBI's work that is at the center of the new harassment and suspicion of environmental groups."

Held added that he had referred the article to the Office of Professional Responsibility so that it would be aware of it in the event someone specifically alleged that the FBI planted the bomb that exploded inside the car of two members of Earth First!, a militant environmental group, in Oakland on May 24.

He strongly denied that the FBI had placed the bomb or had engaged in any misconduct. "If somebody has evidence to that effect they should bring that forward," he said in an interview. "I am satisfied that that simply is not true."

He said it would be up to the Office of Professional Responsibility to decide whether to investigate the matter. FBI spokesman Gregory Jones in Washington said the FBI as a matter of routine does not comment on internal investigations.

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EARTH FIRST — OR — LAST?

What Mr. Manes presents a carefully documented examination of the Earth's "biological meltdown" from acid rain, air pollution, ozone depletion, water loss, toxic wastes, greenhouse effect and the "three C's" — combustion, cattle and

GREEN RAGE

Radical Environmentalism and the
Unmaking of Civilization

By Christopher Manes

Little, Brown, 291 pages, \$18.95

REVIEWED BY PATRICIA HOLT

What really happened on May 24 when two Earth First! organizers were injured by a bomb explosion in their back seat as they drove through Oakland?

As the timber industry, FBI, Earth First! Oakland police, Alameda district attorney's office and others argue the case in the press, Berkeley author Christopher Manes' "Green Rage" goes to the heart of the matter.

His book, a deliberately one-sided history of radical environmentalism, with

Earth First! as its focus, was written before May 24, so we find no new information on that explosion. Instead, "Green Rage" offers a much-needed context to understand the Earth First! philosophy of sabotage — the use of sabotage to stop or slow the industrial construction of nations.

Manes, an admitted Earth Firster, does not start from the start that he wants to convince us that the Earth is in jeopardy. That bureaucratic reform is the only way to compete with private industry and government. He says that groups such as Earth First! are crucial to the safety of the planet.

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chain saws." All of this has happened because — and this is the fundamental battle cry of radical environmentalism, Manes believes — "our culture is lethal to the ecology that it depends on." So the only way to stop the current "ecocidal" trend is to stop thinking that human beings occupy the top of the food chain and therefore get to control it. Put the Earth and all its complex biosystems first, he says, in legislation, economy, industry and recreation — and then maybe we can save it.

Earth First! members pulled away from the "reform environmentalism" movement, Manes says, because such groups as the Audubon Society, Wildlife Federation, Sierra Club and Wilderness Society became increasingly co-opted by the needs of "industrial society." With multimillion-dollar budgets, burgeoning memberships and boards of directors turning increasingly "corporate," these groups made compromises with government agencies and political machines that dramatically reduced wilderness preservation yet paved the way for "crossover employment." Manes makes particular mention of M. Rupert Cutler, former executive of the Wilderness Society, who lobbied timber industry officials before gaining confirmation as assistant secretary of agriculture in the Carter administration, then dramatically reduced protected wildlife areas. (Cutler is currently the president of Defenders of Wildlife, a conservation group.) To Earth First! members, Manes says, this was yet another indication that "the environmental movement [had become] not a cause so much as an opportunity to build a career."

Bill by bill and ranger by ranger, Manes charts a systematic loss of forest and wilderness in which "the Forest Service [also]... acquiesced to the economic desires of the timber industry rather than considering the environmental welfare."

Manes has a knack for advancing philosophic and legal arguments first, then placing us in the shoes of radical environmentalists at the moment of commitment and confrontation. As we watch Paul Watson of Greenpeace surviving 12-foot walls of ice and a pitching sea to reach the coast of Labrador, where hunters are bashing infant harp seals on the skull with spiked clubs called *hakapik*, we can understand why he would grab a *hakapik* and throw it in the ocean. Yet that act went against Greenpeace's code of nonviolence, causing his dismissal, Manes writes. (Even Greenpeace, he feels, is becoming too institutional.)

Similarly, 80 feet up from cursing loggers who threaten to cut him down, Oregon tree sitter Ron Huber stands on a "makeshift platform [on which] he hung an American flag" and watches a logger cut into the trunk below with a chain saw. Threatening to drop a heavy bottle of Cornnuts on the head of the logger, Huber stops the cutting and resides on his platform for a month, costing the timber company several hundred thousand dollars before the tree is cut down.

Had he dropped the jar of Cornnuts, he would have violated the "Peaceful Direct Action Code," a "credo of nonviolence" most radical environmentalists affirm, says



Manes: says bureaucratic reform groups are conspiring with private industry and government to kill the Earth

Manes. While there are groups that have escalated ecotage, from tree spiking (driving nails into trees to damage chain saws), stake-pulling, tree-pinning, desurveying (removing survey equipment), boat-sinking and siltation (pouring abrasives into motors) to the use of pipe bombs such as the kind found in the May 24 explosion, Manes believes most radicals, especially those in Earth First!, are categorically against violence. It is the FBI and other law enforcement agencies, he says, that have identified Earth First! members as "terrorists" in order to legitimate their own violent means (arrests with guns drawn, undercover work leading to violence) to combat radical environmentalists.

We may never know what really happened behind the scene of the May 24 explosion, but Manes is most convincing when he makes this prediction: As the environmental controversy heats up faster than the Greenhouse Effect, today's radical groups such as Earth First! are going to seem mild compared to the militant, furious and single-minded "ecoteurs" of tomorrow.

Patricia Mott is book editor for *The Chronicle*.

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PROTESTERS TARGET REDWOOD CUTTING

AT LOGGERHEADS

Activists in Humboldt aim to disrupt timber industry

By Marie Felde
The Tribune

HONEYDEW — The winding, tedious drive to ground zero for Redwood Summer begins with a heavenly tour through a protected forest of some of the most magnificent ancient redwoods left standing.

A Madison Avenue public relations wizard couldn't have planned a better route to the funky Redwood Summer base camp established last week.

Protesters from around the country will gather here for a summer-long series of actions — from forest sit-ins to rallies at forestry offices — all aimed at slowing logging in California's north coast forests.

Part of the base camp experience will be a crash course in local timber issues. The drive to the camp that begins at Humboldt Redwoods State Park is a perfect start: Redwoods here are 600 to 1,000 years

old and have grown to more than 300 feet in height.

But, as with most of what's happening in these early days of Redwood Summer, the fortunate routing just happened that way.

After weeks of trying to find a place where a rolling contingent of a hundred or more Redwood Summer volunteers could camp out, activists got the Bureau of

Land Management to agree to a loan of a few acres for a few weeks.

The site is on the bank of a wide creek near the tiny town of Honeydew, about 30 miles west of South Fork on Highway 101.

Last week, the first week of occupation, the initial group of protesters gathered.

It included a small squad of native plant gardeners from San Jose, a carload of people from Georgia, the Seeds of Peace mobile kitchen from Berkeley and Pam Davis, an Earth First! activist, who was trying to organize the camp.

Jim Hobson, a biologist from Albuquerque, drove out from New Mexico to be part of Redwood Summer.

"I came out here because I thought it would be a real good chance to save the last little sliver of old growth. The trees will be gone in two years if we don't save them now," he said.

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Plodge of non-violence

In all, about 20 campers were at the base camp. Two portable toilets had arrived, and a solar panel was powering a pump to bring water from the creek to the mobile kitchen. Some of the people had brought tents; others were sleeping outside. All signed a pledge of non-violence when they arrived.

On Wednesday morning, some people were building tree-sitting platforms, others were eagerly awaiting a delivery of coffee from town and everyone was trying to figure out what to do next.

Unlike the highly coordinated machine that put together Earth Day, the year's first big environmental awakening, Redwood Summer has a feeling of a "come as you are, make it up as you go" undertaking.

The goal, however, is straightforward enough. The activists want to halt immediately the cutting of old-growth redwoods and slow the logging of second- and third-generation redwoods and Douglas fir trees on private lands.

"Redwood Summer is a holding action," said Ed Denson, who from his music camp in Alderpoint east of Garberville is among the organizers of Redwood Summer.

A major forest-protection initiative to alter permanently some logging practices goes to the state's voters in November.

"We believe the fall initiative will pass and protect the ancient forests, but between now and then, we must have an effort to protect what's left," said Denson.

Everyone it seems — protesters, loggers, law enforcement officials and townspeople — is eager to see what the summer brings.

The first big organized action is scheduled for Wednesday, when protesters are expected to mass on a Louisiana Pacific Corp. lumber dock in Arcata, Humboldt County.

"Everybody is waiting. It's having a polarizing effect on the community. You can see the yellow ribbons around. People are either for the timber industry or not," said Bill Rice over breakfast at the Little Plaza Cafe in Garberville.

Rice, who is in the business of buying smaller parcels of land for logging, said he is one of the few people he knows around town taking the middle ground.

He said he supports selective logging, but is opposed to what he called the "ugly" practice of clear-cutting, where loggers remove nearly all the vegetation on the land.

Yellow ribbons

The yellow ribbons he referred to can be seen on some car and truck antennas. They signal support for the timber industry.

Among those waiting to see what happens are local law enforcement officials. Lt. Henry Doane with the Humboldt County Sheriff's office said the department has met with Earth First! representatives and is preparing a contingency plan.

"We are not overly concerned," said Doane, who added, however, "we have no way of knowing" what will happen.

Fears of violence were ignited with the bombing in Oakland last month of a car occupied by two members of Earth First! who were the leading organizers of Redwood Summer.

Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were injured in the bombing. Bari remains hospitalized.

No one has been charged in the bombing, but Oakland police say they intend to charge Bari and Cherney for transporting the bomb. The two, and their supporters, insist they were the targets but don't know who planted the bomb.

Besides heightening fears, the bombing has greatly elevated attention to Redwood Summer. Members of the national press started arriving in the north

coast last week. People are reading about the event across the country and heading west.

Although Earth First!, the activist environmental group, got Redwood Summer rolling and has been in the spotlight, many, if not most, of those involved are not connected with the group.

But people who have long followed the issues, said the bombing convinced them to join the summer's effort.

"I don't feel an affinity with Earth First!. I don't know Judi Bari or Darryl Cherney, but I want to do something locally in the Ukiah Valley. That's where we live," said new recruit Dan Hibshman.

Timber firms criticized

While there may be simmering friction between the people who want to slow logging and the people who depend on it for their livelihood, it is the big logging corporations that are coming under heat from both sides.

Even local people who oppose new restrictions on logging say they are appalled at Louisiana Pacific's recent decision to close a local mill and open a new one near Ensenada, Mexico. Uncut logs would be shipped south on barges.

And Pacific Lumber Co., which owns the largest private holding of old-growth Redwoods anywhere, is constantly lambasted for doubling its harvest of trees, in part to pay off debts incurred when the Houston-based Maxxam Corp. used junk bonds to finance a hostile takeover of the company in 1985.

One company official said last year interest on the bonds will approach \$79 million in 1990.

"Never has anyone said, 'Don't log at all,'" said Betty Ball, director of the Mendocino Environmental Center in Ukiah. "We are saying to do it right. What we've got (from the corporations) is rape and ruin."

Even those connected with the timber industry — such as small timber entrepreneur Rice in Garberville — are angry with accelerated corporate profit-taking.

"There is no place in the woods for junk bonds," said Rice.

But Jeff Raleigh, a Pacific Lumber Co. spokesman, said the company is logging only on land it owns and it's doing it responsibly.

Harvesting a crop

The company owns 195,000 acres in Humboldt County and employs 1,300 workers at its mill in the company town of Scotia.

"This land is zoned for one purpose, to harvest timber," said Raleigh.

What Pacific Lumber is doing with its land is harvesting its crop, just as a wheat farmer harvests his crop, he said. And just like the farmer, said Raleigh, the company will take care of its land so that it can replant and harvest again in the future.

Raleigh acknowledged that the company is currently cutting some of its stands of ancient forests, trees that are several hundred years old.

However, logging in the company's biggest, most controversial old-growth stand, the 3,000-acre Headwaters Forest, has been halted for two years. The company agreed to the moratorium following public and media pressure.

Although concerns about over-cutting and clear-cutting have been going on for years along the north coast, this summer is emerging as a critical time.

Between the threat of new restrictions and a hot market for lumber, there is more logging going on this summer than anyone can remember.

Trucks carrying raw logs and others with milled lumber are jamming Highway 101 and the local mountain roads.

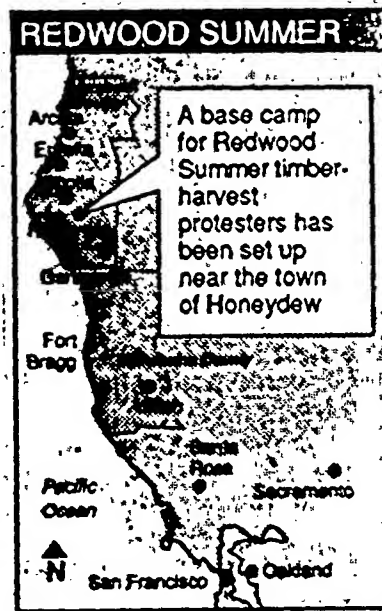
"There is definitely increased activity," said Pete Passof, a forest adviser for the UC-Berkeley extension in Ukiah.

"What we are hearing is that the loggers are leery of new rules that may come out," said John Teie, Mendocino unit forester for the state Department of Forestry.

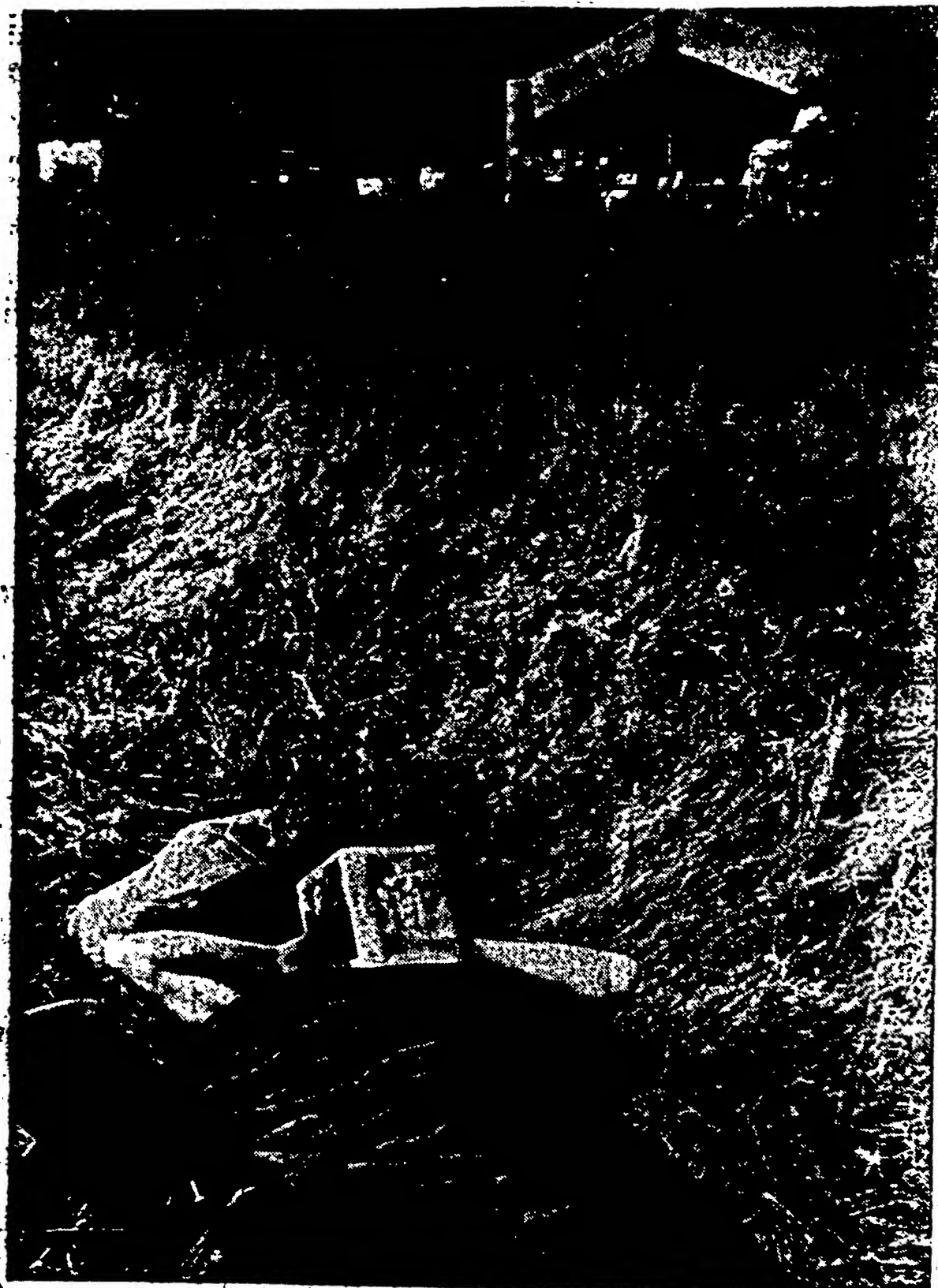
"There's a fear that things are going so fast, there won't be real forests anymore" in Mendocino County, said Philo resident Pam Miller.

That fear is not unfounded, said state forester Teie.

Mendocino County now weighs in as either the second or third biggest timber producer in the state each year, he said. But if the large timber companies continue to cut as they are doing now, "the future isn't going to be there."



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By Reginald Pearman/The Tribune

A Redwood Summer activist named Gary reads and rests at the group's headquarters.



edwood Summer protester, identified only as Scott, works on the solar pump used to take water from a creek at his campsite. By Reginald Pearman/The Tri

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People First!

Two environmental activists, wounded by a car bomb, make great martyrs for their cause. All the more so after the forces of Establishment repression had the audacity to charge the victims with making the bomb.

Whoever did make the bomb that injured Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, two leaders of Earth First!, may never be known. But sympathy for them, even if warranted, should not extend to their lunatic views.

Earth First!, long a pariah in the environmental movement, has made a comeback to partial respectability by tapping popular concern over logging of old-growth forests in the Pacific Northwest. Its first major demonstration of "Redwood Summer," scheduled for today, will block the docks near Eureka used by Louisiana-Pacific to ship timber.

But the loose-knit organization, founded in 1980, stands for much more than preserving wilderness areas. It views people as "a disease organism" and incites destruction to promote its radical ends.

David Foreman, Earth First's founder, summed up its values in an interview with "deep ecology" guru Bull Duvall. "The human race could go extinct and I for one

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would not shed any tears," Foreman said. "The worst thing we could do in Ethiopia is to give aid — the best thing would be to just let nature seek its own balance, to let people there just starve."

The Earth First! newspaper Foreman edited ran an article on "Population and AIDS," advancing the same set of ethics.

"If radical environmentalists were to invent a disease to bring human population back to ecological sanity, it would probably be something like AIDS," the article declared. "... The only real hope of the continuation of diverse ecosystems on this planet is an enormous decline in human population."

The piece went on to call for a return to a "hunter-gatherer way of life," calling industrial progress "the main force behind the environmental crisis." If "the AIDS epidemic didn't exist," it concluded, "radical environmentalists would have to invent one."

The article, signed with a pseudonym,

illustrated another characteristic of the Earth First! movement: a cowardly refusal to take responsibility. Its leaders have refined the hypocritical art of feigning innocence while promoting illegal acts.

In 1985, for example, Foreman published an entire book on ways to sabotage bulldozers, spike trees and roads, burn billboards — and avoid capture. It opens with the patently insincere disclaimer: "Ecodefense is for entertainment purposes only. No one involved with the production of this book ... encourages anyone to do any of the stupid, illegal things contained herein."

Or as Foreman's mentor, Edward Abbey, told a gathering of the faithful, "Of course, I never advocate illegal action at any time. Except at night ..."

That spirit of irresponsibility only encourages crazies who observe no limits. Earth First! followers and sympathizers, for all their talk of non-violence, have caused serious injury by "spiking" trees and roads. They have also downed power lines, sabotaged cattle ranches and may have set off a bomb on May 9 at the Louisiana-Pacific sawmill in Cloverdale.

Most of that doesn't seem to faze Chorney, for one. "The sabotage of equipment is no different than the French sabotage of the equipment of Hitler," he said.

In another setting, he said, "I'm not an environmentalist. I'm an Earth warrior. I am the Earth defending itself I'm trying to feralize myself."

As for Bari, her Patty-Hearst-style photo pose with a submachine gun, even if in jest, speaks volumes. So does her avowed faith in "socialism" as the road to "an ecologically sound society," despite ample evidence of environmental catastrophe in China and Eastern Europe.

Earth First! activists know how to grab media attention, not how to make the world a better place. Jay Hair, president of the National Wildlife Federation, had it right when he said of them, "They are outlaws; they are terrorists; and they have no right being considered environmentalists."

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Here's a curious one about redwood savior Judy Bari, the Earth First!er blown up by the mystery car bomb. According to a sworn affidavit by Sgt. R. Chenault of the Oakland Police Department, Bari's property in Redwood Valley includes a two-story redwood house under construction. Hey, isn't this like fur coats? ... The other day I piled on Earth First! for having "affinity groups," the name the '60s Weathermen gave to their fighting units. Betty Lawson of the Pledge of Resistance calls to say that they have affinity groups too, and they are devoutly nonviolent. Noted. Sorry to knock a name you have some affinity for, even if it was invented by a bunch of maniacs....

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North Coast's Redwood Summer faces tense dawn

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

HONEYDEW — Practically every afternoon for the past week, retired loggers Bill McCanless and Lloyd Haff have sat on the porch of the Honeydew General Store and watched the "outsiders" trickle in.

"Where they all coming from?" Haff wondered as he nursed his Budweiser and took a deep drag from his cigarette. "I've always said that if you sit on the Honeydew porch long enough, you'll see everything."

What Haff and McCanless, both 66, see since is an intermittent parade of foreign vans and Honda Accords winding down the hill and making the turn up the creek to the Earth First! base camp for Redwood Summer.

Here along the banks of the Mattole River, where a once booming community of seven saw mills and 700 people has shrunk to no saw mills and less than 500 people, the activity is more than the locals have seen since the great hippie migration to the area in the 1960s. And even some of them don't like the new arrivals.

Old hippie's view

"I'm an old peace freak who moved here in 1974 from the Bay Area," said Thomas Samuelson, a chair-maker whose long hair and beard are now tinged with strands of gray. "But if I had my way, I'd tell these Earth First! people to go home."

"You bring in people from the outside and you bring in trouble," Samuelson

said. "You can't come out here and tell those old guys that their children cannot

Maybe so. But no one — not Samuelson, not the lumber companies, not even Haff and McCanless — has been able to stop Redwood Summer. The several dozen activists who are camped out in Honeydew are only part of it.

The entire North Coast is braced for the start of Redwood Summer, which officially begins today with a demonstration at the Louisiana-Pacific shipping dock in Eureka, 75 miles up the coast, where the company has begun exporting unfinished lumber — and critics say jobs — to Mexico. Protesters say they plan to picket the site and engage in acts of "non-violent civil disobedience."

Billed by Earth First! as a series of protests aimed at slowing logging and focusing national attention on the cutting of old-growth forests, Redwood Summer has become the symbol for a long list of tensions in the timber-reliant North Coast.

Those tensions are evident in the three timber initiatives that will be on the November ballot and in the pending decision on whether the spotted owl should be declared an endangered species, thereby prohibiting logging near its growth habitat.

But in the wake of the 1989-90 fire season, which burned 100,000 acres of forest, some people's minds are focused on the fear of a major fire. "We're not going to let that happen," said Cheryl, who was arrested on charges of transporting the logs that

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landed in Bari's car. The two have insisted they were victims of an assassination attempt, and supporters and activists have charged that investigators are trying to discredit Bari, Cherney and Redwood Summer while the trail to the real culprit grows cold. But investigators, who are awaiting the results of lab tests, say they have no other suspects.

"We're prepared for the worst but we're hoping for the best," said Officer Leon Mendenhall, spokesman for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department.

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ment. "Nobody knows what's really going to happen. We expect more media and middle-ground people than anybody."

By Tuesday afternoon, Mendenhall had issued 60 press passes to reporters from around the state and the nation.

She expects to issue another 60 by the time the protest gets under way at 11 a.m. today.

An equal number of police from throughout Humboldt County also are expected, including officers from the California Highway Patrol, the Eureka and Fortuna police departments, the state Department of Fish and Game and possibly the Coast Guard.

And estimates of the number of protesters range from several hundred to a thousand. Both law enforcement officials and environmental activists say they don't know how many demonstrators will show up. But already, they say, there are 200 to 300 people in town.

Non-violence positions

After battling Hierarchy at meetings and in the press for the past year, Earth First! and the lumber companies this week joined others in issuing a call for non-violence at the coming protests.

"A lot of people are frightened," said Joanne Rand, who lives in the Siskiyou Mountains and will take part in the protest. "It's a matter of being willing to stand up for what you believe in."

Along with her friend Joseph Romero, Rand wrote a song about the Oakland car bombing called "Defend Your Promised Land." She and Romero were practicing it Tuesday afternoon in the back of the Arcata Action Center while nearby, another activist finished a banner that read: "Jobs: Ecology for Economy. Make Peace with Nature."

"A lot of people feel they don't have any protection from the law," Romero said. "It's like open season on environmentalists."

In the front of the action center, Erin O'Doherty of San Jose added a quart of oil to her car for the return trip home after the protest.

"We've tried just about every other avenue there is," she said. "You go to your congressmen, your local politicians and to all the departments that are supposed to deal with some of these issues and you find out really fast that the process is not open to citizen involvement. So you try something else. That's why we're here."



The entire region is braced for the start of Redwood Summer, which officially begins today with a demonstration at a lumber company's shipping dock.

Sarah Carney takes time out from training for Earth First! protests to play her dulcimer.



Retired logger Lloyd Hoff listens to Earth Day speaker Davis explain her views

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Big redwood protest on eve of 'Summer'

By Christine Keyser
Special to The Tribune

SAMOA — The last day of spring brought the beginning of Redwood Summer yesterday as dozens of environmentalists blocked Louisiana Pacific Corp.'s western headquarters here in the first of a series of protests over the clear-cutting of California's ancient redwood forests.

Forty-four protesters were arrested around 1:30 p.m. while sitting in front of an independent logging truck that was hauling redwood logs into the timber giant's lumber yards in this beachside town a mile west of Eureka.

Officers from four law enforcement agencies pried other protesters from the logs and removed their banners proclaiming, "Equality for all species" and "Forests and jobs, no exported logs." The protesters were charged with trespassing, blocking a roadway and related misdemeanors and released.

The arrests culminated a day-long peaceful kickoff by about 500 environmentalists of Redwood Summer, billed by Earth First! and their allies as a last stand to save the dwindling old-growth redwood forests that once spanned the coast from Santa Cruz to Oregon. Organizers are planning subsequent demonstrations at the Georgia-Pacific saw mills in Fort Bragg on July 21 and the Sequoia National Forest on July 30.

Officers said they were pleased that there were no violent confrontations yesterday between environmentalists and timber workers over the emotional issue.

"The potential was here for a

great extent of violence and it didn't happen," said Randy Price, public affairs officer for the California Highway Patrol.

Fears that the protests would turn violent escalated after a pipe bomb exploded in the car of Redwood Summer organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney on May 24 in Oakland. Bari remains in traction at Highland Hospital.

Cherney was at yesterday's protest, where environmentalists — seeking to forge an alliance with mill workers and loggers — chided the company for shipping raw lumber to its saw mill in Ensenada, Mexico, while laying off nearly 200 workers at mills in Mendocino County and Oroville this year.

But Louisiana Pacific workers countered with their own demonstration, carrying printed picket signs with such slogans as "My kids, my future," and "You're barking up the wrong tree."

"We're here protecting our jobs," said Ward Mengel, a saw filer who has been on the timber company's payroll for the last 25 years.

Environmentalists had congregated throughout the week at a secluded base camp set up by Redwood Summer organizers outside of the tiny hamlet of Honeydew in southern Humboldt County.

They came from as far away as British Columbia, Colorado, and New York to take part in the protest.

Some said they were galvanized by the Oakland bombing.

"What's different about Redwood Summer is people are really embracing a multi-issue approach — labor, feminism, the environment," said David Solnit,

an organizer for the Bay Area Peace Test and one of those arrested yesterday.

The activists each signed a mandatory pledge of non-violence. All those planning civil disobedience took a required eight-hour class in non-violent techniques.

The classes were taught by Solnit and other veterans of anti-nuclear actions at the Nevada test site, the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Vandenberg Air Force Base.

The day began with an informational picket line set up by members of the International Workers of the World, or Wobblies, of which Bari is a member. The IWW members said they turned out to show solidarity with Louisiana Pacific workers and to protest the company's exporting of timber and jobs.

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Redwood Summer protests start; 44 arrested without violence

By Linda Goldston
 Mercury News Staff Writer

SAMOA — After two months of hype and worry that violence might occur, the Redwood Summer logging protests officially began here Wednesday with a mass demonstration that many said was the beginning of a new decade of activism.

No one was hurt, no property was damaged, but 44 of the estimated 500 to 600 protesters were arrested.

By the end of the demonstration at the Louisiana-Pacific shipping dock, where unfinished redwood lumber is exported to Mexico for processing, both environmentalists and police were calling the event a huge success in non-violent protest.

"We're happy with the leadership of the environmentalists," said Randy Price, spokesman for the

California Highway Patrol in Humboldt County, who was among the 150 law enforcement officers from more than a half-dozen agencies.

"They've stated all along they were going to be non-violent," Hayes said. "If this is what we can use as a yardstick, we probably will have peaceful demonstrations for the rest of the summer."

The arrests began in the afternoon, when protesters blockaded a logging truck that was about to pull into the L-P plant.

Dozens of activists sat on the ground and linked arms in a circle in front of the truck. They were allowed to remain for about an hour before officers gave them five minutes to leave and then began the arrests.

The 25 men, 16 women and three juveniles ar-

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rested on refusal to disperse included Lisa Henry, the daughter of Mendocino County Supervisor Liz Henry and an Earth First! activist at the University of California, Santa Cruz, and Bob Serena, a graduate student in environmental studies at San Jose State University and one of the protest leaders.

More than 100 reporters were on hand for the demonstration, which also featured a small counter-protest by about 20 Louisiana-Pacific employees who said they came out on their lunch hour "to give the other side." At least a dozen L-P and other timber industry officials were present.

It was a scene from the 1960s, but this time the call was to save the environment rather than to stop the Vietnam War. Environmental issues, including saving old-growth forests and reducing current logging rates, are the battleground for the 1990s, activists said.

"The best thing about Redwood Summer is that it's in 1990, which means the 1980s are over," said Dennis Hayes of Palo Alto, chairman of Earth Day 1990, who called the '80s "a decade of unprecedented greed and hypocrisy" by large corporations.

Hayes, like the Earth First! organizers of the protests, compared the plans for a summer of "non-violent civil disobedience" to the fight for civil rights in the South in the 1960s.

"You're part of that 200-million-person movement around the world to save the Earth," he told the cheering crowd. "Today, let's let Mother Earth hear the cry of the people. Save the Earth. Save the forests. Save ourselves."

Speaker after speaker decried what they said is massive overcutting of forests in the Redwood Empire of Humboldt and Mendocino counties. The speakers urged activists to join hands with timber workers, who they said are victims of corporate practices, too.

But no sooner did the speeches get underway at 11 a.m. than counter-protesters appeared across the road, directly in front of the entrance to L-P's pulp mill and shipping dock. Their signs, which

were identical in size and color, said "It's My Job You're After" and "Wrong Way to Mississippi," a reference to the original name for Redwood Summer — "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods."

L-P drew sharp criticism earlier this year when it announced that 195 of its mill workers in Mendocino and Butte counties would be laid off, despite record profits — up 42.5 percent from 1988 — and record sales of \$2 billion last year.

Spokesmen for the company have blamed environmentalists for the layoffs, but activists charge that they stem from overcutting of L-P's lands, mill modernization and exports of unfinished lumber to Mexico.

Because the L-P workers' signs were identical and professionally printed and appeared moments after the Redwood Summer demonstration began, numerous activists accused the company of trying to sabotage the protest. Workers and officials denied the charge.

"Our employees organized this on their own," said Shep Tucker, spokesman for Louisiana-Pacific, one of the nation's largest redwood producers. "They wanted to come out here."

The demonstration was the culmination of several logging protests on the North Coast. They intensified in 1986 when Maxxam Corp., the Los Angeles-based conglomerate owned by Houston billionaire Charles Hurwitz, bought Pacific Lumber Co. and almost immediately doubled the company's logging to pay off \$750 million in junk bonds.

The protests reached a fever pitch last year when L-P acknowledged its plan to export unfinished redwood lumber to Mexico for processing before it is shipped back to California for sale.

Protesters on Wednesday ranged from 59-year-old Bernice King of Sacramento, who wore a "Grandmother for Peace" T-shirt and said she was a member of Earth First!, to Larry "Topa" Powell of Atlanta, who carried his pet rat "Ben" and said he broke away from following a tour by the Grateful Dead to attend the protest.



Redwood Summer protesters stop logging truck at Louisiana-Pacific

Eugene Loebe — Mercury News

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LOGGING PROTEST

Skirmish launches
battle for redwoods

By Jane Kay

EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

SAMOA, Humboldt County — The first skirmish of a promised summer of civil disobedience aimed at protecting some of the world's last redwood forests was peaceful, with a hundred protesters stopping a logging truck with coyote howls, dances and reggae music.

Forty-four people were arrested Wednesday in the first protest of Redwood Summer, an action organized by the militant Earth First environmental group to call attention to continued heavy logging of old-growth redwoods.

The effort is also designed to draw attention to the economic effects of lumber company practices.

More than 700 protesters gathered at the Louisiana Pacific gate outside Eureka to protest the company's building of a plant in Mexico to process raw lumber instead of creating jobs on the north coast.

L-P insists whole logs won't be shipped to Mexico and says the jobs created there were ones from Southern California and not from the north coast.

The warmest applause and howls came for one of Redwood Summer's prime organizers, Darryl Cherney, who along with fellow Earth First activist Judi Bari was injured May 24 in Oakland when a bomb exploded in their car.

Both Bari — still hospitalized in Oakland with severe injuries — and Cherney are under investigation for allegedly transporting the bomb. They deny the allegations and say they are being persecuted for their radical environmental activism.

Some wept as Cherney sang. He dedicated to Bari her favorite song, "Where Are We Going to Work When the Trees Are Gone?" and "No Compromise in Defense of Mother Earth."

When L-P closed its mill in Potter Valley, north of Ukiah in Mendocino County, the company "blamed all of you," Cherney told the crowd. "They said it was because of environmental lawsuits. But there weren't any."

The Oakland bomb blast apparently didn't interfere with Earth First's ability to organize the large redwood protest, nor did it discour-

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age people from attending, as had been predicted.

Mickey Dulas, a member of Arcata Action Center, said the bombing showed people how serious the situation is in this country, that we're being treated unfairly, unjustly. It has called people forward to defend our First Amendment rights of freedom of speech."

Many in the north state timber towns have expressed anger over the planned protest. But Wednesday, most opponents of the environmentalists stayed away from the protest on advice of the timber industry.

Logging trucks blocked

The civil disobedience began after 1 p.m. following two hours of speeches. A few hundred of the protesters, dancing and singing, began to swarm into the road and block vehicles.

They sat in front of a logging truck and refused to move as traffic piled up.

Others climbed atop the stacked logs, unfurling banners and placards.

The largest banner read: "1964

Mississippi Summer — Equal Equity for All Races and 1990 Redwood Summer — Equity for All Species."

The arrests were mostly carried out peacefully, but at least one man was roughly handled and maced several times when he resisted.

About 150 officers from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department, the California Highway Patrol and the Fortuna and Eureka police departments were on hand for the demonstration. All had taken training in nonviolence, said Humboldt County Sheriff David Renner.

About 50 supporters of Earth First are encamped on Bureau of Land Management land in the area of Petrolia to plan more actions to stop logging. They, too, have been training in nonviolence.



Protesters block logging truck at Louisiana-Pacific mill in Samoa, Humboldt County. More than 700 demonstrators were on hand.



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44 Arrests at 'Redwood Summer' Protest

By Phil Garlington
and Bill Israel

Chronicle Correspondents

Samoa, Humboldt County

The first major demonstration of the season against the harvesting of old-growth redwoods ended yesterday with the arrest of 44 protesters who blocked a logging truck outside a pulp mill as the radical environmental group Earth First! launched its "Redwood Summer."

The demonstrators were booked for blocking a roadway and transferred to the Humboldt County Jail in Eureka. Earth First! leaders said some of the protesters would attempt to stay in jail as long as possible; in an attempt to show "jail solidarity." Other protesters were cited and released.

Approximately 500 protesters flocked to the gates of a big paper pulp mill owned by Louisiana-Pacific Corp. to demonstrate against the company's logging practices. There were no injuries during the protest, and both sides — demonstrators and police — were polite to each other.

Earth First! spokeswoman Mickey Dulas said the demonstrators stopped 20 trucks from delivering their logs as they blocked traffic for three hours.

In the water off Louisiana-Pacific's dock, authorities confiscated a drill from seven Greenpeace protesters who approached a ship in kayaks and inflatable rafts, a sheriff's deputy said.

The Costumes

Other arrests were made shortly after 2 p.m. when 30 of the demonstrators sat in the middle of Samoa Avenue, just outside the plant, and blocked a logging truck

transporting 20 pine logs. The protesters were dressed as pine trees and, in one case, as a bird.

With the truck halted, hundreds of others clogged the intersection and danced to reggae songs played by the demonstrators' band. Soon, 160 police officers from local departments, the Humboldt County sheriff's office, and the California Highway Patrol emerged from an area inside mill property and moved the dancers out of the street.

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A logging truck was escorted by police as protesters blocked it at Louisiana-Pacific's plant in Samoa

Lieutenant told the protesters they had five minutes to disperse and when they did not move, about 20 deputies moved in and arrested them. A few minutes later, 10 demonstrators climbed on top of the truck and unfurled a banner that said, "Don't Export Logs or Jobs."

Earlier in the day, the much-publicized Redwood Summer began peacefully as protesters gathered at the gates of the pulp mill to deplore logging practices in Northern California forests.

"We are nonviolent and we mean it," Earth First! leader Darrel Cherney said, "but the authorities feel they need this military-like callup to protect this corporation."

Cherney and fellow Earth First! organizer Judi Bari were injured May 24 when a bomb exploded in their car in Oakland. They were later arrested on suspicion of transporting explosives, but Alameda County authorities have not filed charges against them.

At noon, a counter-demonstration, made up of about 50 of the 250 employees of the pulp mill, gathered

briefly inside the company's property to wave their placards at the rally going on across the road.

Louisiana-Pacific workers held up neatly printed signs reading, "Wrong Way to Mississippi," and "Strange Tourists," referring to Redwood Summer's initial but discarded motto, "Mississippi Summer in the Redwoods."

Joe Willis, 30, a water truck driver for the company, said he joined the counter-demonstration because "these people are trying to take my job." He said workers got the preprinted signs at the company office.

The near-perfect weather pulled some demonstrators to a nearby beach, but most attended a rally in which guitar-wearing Cherney excoriated Louisiana-Pacific for exporting rough-cut redwood logs for finishing at a new Louisiana-Pacific mill in Baja California.

"They are exporting the lumber and the jobs," Cherney said.

Joe Wheeler, the company's western division manager, told reporters at the front gate that Louisiana-Pacific has made an agree-

ment not to export whole logs to Mexico. For purposes of export, rough-cut logs qualify as lumber and, in that way, differ from whole, unmilled logs.

The Louisiana-Pacific smokestack was shut down before the demonstration began. Wheeler said the plant had been idled for a week of routine maintenance.

In an apparently unrelated incident in Sierra County, about 250 miles southeast of Samoa in the Sierra Nevada, Sheriff Lee Adams said two Sacramento men were arrested after reports of shooting near a logging site about 12 miles southwest of Downieville.

No one was hit. Adams said investigators were trying to determine if the shots were directed toward or near the loggers, and whether they were an attempt to halt the logging. He said the two were apparently not involved with any anti-logging group.

The two, Eric Hopkins, 22, and Jon James Blaine, 20, had in their possession a 12-gauge shotgun and four .22-caliber firearms, he said.

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Non-violent collective spreads the seeds of peace

Earth First! bombing brings sudden notoriety

By Terry Link
The Tribune

BERKELEY — One could call Seeds of Peace a quartermaster corps for social activists, although some of its members might object to the military analogy.

Equipped with a bus, a mobile kitchen, a 1,000-gallon water tank on wheels and half a dozen portable toilets, members of the collective criss-cross the country providing logistical support for peace marches, anti-nuclear protests and civil rights demonstrations.

But when the earthquake struck last October, Seeds of Peace quickly put their resources and abilities at the disposal of the Red Cross.

"Every meal that we needed beyond what was donated by restaurants that first week, Seeds of Peace provided," said Robin Allison, who directed the Red Cross' mass-feeding program at its headquarters on East 14th Street.

"They fed all our volunteers too — hundreds of people," she added.

Seeds of Peace made the news recently when police searched their south Berkeley duplex after a car bomb exploded, injuring two Earth First! organizers.

Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney had stopped at Seeds headquarters to arrange for their help with Redwood Summer, a series of events designed to protest

particular lumber industry activities.

After police questioned several Seeds members, all were released without charges.

Recently, a member of the collective discussed their beliefs during an interview at their headquarters-home. The house still showed the effects of a police search, which had left clothes and other belongings strewn about and peeled back insulation in the attic.

Sarah, who uses the last name of Seeds to avoid embarrassing relatives "who don't have any-

thing to do with the peace movement," said that all members espouse non-violence.

"Actions are always required to be non-violent. The one solid criterion is non-violence," she said.

Decisions on which actions to undertake are arrived at by consensus, with all 25 members agreeing, she said.

Even the question of whether to leave a baseball bat near the front door — "something that could be construed as a weapon" — provoked a lengthy debate, she said.

Peaceful emphasis

Seeds of Peace would not be involved in the campaign to save the old-growth redwoods if they were not convinced that the participants would be non-violent, she said.

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The organization formed during the Great Peace March, a 3,700-mile transcontinental trek undertaken by 1,000 people in 1986 to express their desire for a world without war.

When the march ended in Washington, D.C., some of the participants bought the leftover equipment, determined to continue using it to support similar activities.

Sarah, who is 40, left a career as a mid-level manager with a Boston accounting firm to join the march.

"I was owned by my job. I was always stressed. Emotionally, psychologically, I was definitely dying," Sarah said, recalling her decision.

A theater major in college, she had never married and never intended to spend her life in the business world, she said.

"I wasn't especially politicized," she said, but did recall one chilling event from childhood.

At the height of the Cuban missile crisis, she and her classmates were told that each pupil who could not walk home in 10 minutes should provide the school with the address of a friend who lived close by.

"Ten minutes was the amount of warning we would have if the missiles were launched. At age 13, I had to decide in whose home I was going to go to die," she said.

The Great Peace March "seemed a good way to make the break" with her business career.

"It took me about a week to realize I was where I was supposed to be," she said.

"Materially, I lost a lot, but that wasn't high on my priorities. My personal morals, what I've

seen and felt, pretty much require me to make this kind of work my first priority," she said.

Sarah did not immediately become a member of the collective after the march ended but was an "outside associate," someone who would help the group with specific actions, but was not bound by its consensus nor required to contribute to its support.

"When you make that commitment (joining the collective), it's not for the summer, or for the next two actions," Sarah said.

"It's a lifetime commitment. You're entering into a family," she said.

Seeds of Peace assisted marches in Florida, Maine, Michigan, Georgia and points in between before settling in Berkeley in the fall of 1988, Sarah said.

"It's a constant problem to find a place big enough to house all the vehicles and people," she said.

Members who hold outside jobs contribute part of their earnings to the group, but most of their \$40,000 annual budget comes from donations from the groups they assist and a mailing list of about 6,500 supporters.

she said.

The publicity generated by the Earth First! bombing has brought with it increased contributions and offers of support, she said.

Nonetheless, members of the group often scrounge for food and clothes as well as the materials they need to carry on their mission.

"We dumpster dive. Philosophically, it's a way to combat waste, but practically, we are low-budget people," she said.

"We don't get paid for waging peace."

A different space

James McGuinness, 33, is a founding member of the collective whose early life was quite different from Sarah's.

"I grew up in Brooklyn watching the Vietnam War come into my living room," he said.

In high school, he organized protests against the war, then worked for a few years in a supermarket, he said.

In 1982, McGuinness began traveling and ended up in Miami, Fla., where he organized the homeless and supported himself as "a laboratory rat," a paid volunteer who tests new drugs.

On the Great Peace March, he was one of the "peacekeepers,"

someone who guarded equipment and defused fights.

McGuinness said he "saw a lot of violence in Brooklyn and it didn't work. It didn't change anyone's mind."

"We're not always going to agree on things, but hitting each other is not going to solve anything," he said.

Guidelines for those participating in the Redwood Summer forbid verbal as well as physical violence, he said.

"What we're doing is mostly legal or quasi-legal. We do break the law, but only to stop a higher law from being broken," he said.

"If you saw a building with a 'No Trespassing' sign on it catch on fire and you knew there were two children in it, you would ignore the sign and save the children, wouldn't you?" he said.

"Well, that's what we do. We ignore the trespass law in response to a higher law," he said.

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Arraign delay for Earth First! bomb suspects

By Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune

Prosecutors have again postponed a decision on filing charges against the two Earth First! leaders injured in a bomb blast, although sources said new crime-lab tests have produced evidence allegedly linking one of the activists to the bomb.

Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, who were arrested within hours of the May 24 explosion in Oakland for possession and transportation of a bomb, had been scheduled to appear in court today to learn if the Alameda County District Attorney's Office was going to file formal charges against them.

But yesterday, Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said that results of FBI laboratory tests he has requested, as well as other aspects of the investigation, have not yet been completed. He said he therefore asked that the court appearance be continued until July 13.

Sources said some of the laboratory tests have verified that Bari possessed finishing nails at her home identical to ones used in the bomb, but tests on other evidence have proven inconclusive so far.

"I just want to wait until everything is completed before I make a decision," Carpenter

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— Assistant District Attorney
Chris Carpenter

said.

It was for similar reasons that Bari's and Cherney's first scheduled arraignment on May 29 was continued until today.

"I don't think there is a case. My hunch is that's why no charges are being filed (today)," said Cherney's lawyer, Douglas Horngrad.

Susan Jordan, who represents Bari, declined comment. In the past she has blasted police for treating the pair as suspects and not victims of an attack.

Bari and Cherney have steadfastly denied any involvement in the bombing, which they said they suspect was retaliation by logging companies or other groups against which Earth First! has campaigned.

The pair was injured when an "anti-personnel" pipe bomb in-

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side Bari's Subaru station wagon exploded as they drove past Oakland High School.

Oakland police have said they believe they have a strong case against Bari and Cherney. Sources said recent lab tests on the bomb and car, and other investigations have revealed that:

- Finishing nails taped to the bomb match nails found in a search of Bari's Mendocino County home last month. Both sets of nails have distinct manufacturer's markings on them, sources said, although the nails are in common use.

Other nails found in a bag in Bari's car apparently are different from those in the bomb, sources said, although tests are still pending on some of them.

Earth First! supporters have said there is no significance to any of the nails because Bari was a carpenter doing work on her home and frequently used all kinds of nails.

- Many components of the bomb are identical to those used in a bomb detonated May 9 at the Cloverdale office of a lumber company. Police are now convinced that whoever planted that bomb was also involved in the Oakland bombing.

- The "Lord's Avenger," an anonymous letter writer who has taken credit for the Oakland and Cloverdale explosions, has so accurately described details of the bombs that authorities are certain he was involved in making or placing both bombs. In his letter, for example, the writer accurately described the color of a towel that partially covered the Oakland bomb when it exploded, sources said.

But authorities suspect the letter writer, who claimed he attacked Bari and Cherney because of their pro-abortion and anti-logging protests, actually

was an accomplice of theirs who wrote the letter to distract attention from them and send authorities on a false trail.

Police sources said the letter writer's claim that he planted the bomb while Bari's car was parked at a Willits restaurant is absurd, because her car was in front of a picture window to the restaurant and 100 feet from the local police department at the time.

- The bomb probably was put in the car while Bari was in Oakland, sources said. That is because passengers in her car before she drove here from Mendocino County did not notice the bomb.

Tests show the bomb was on the floorboard behind the driver's seat and partially under it.

A person who rode with Bari before she came to Oakland sat in the back seat and saw no bomb. Passengers in the car also said they noticed the colored towel in a storage area in the back of her station wagon and not in the floorboard area.

- The morning of the explosion, Bari packed her car and should have seen the bomb because she placed her guitar case in the back seat area near the device. Initially police said it appeared Bari placed her case on top of the bomb, but further examination indicates she may have placed it on the seat.

Friends of Bari have said her car was so cluttered with leaflets and boxes that she easily could have failed to notice the bomb when she packed the car.

- While final tests on duct tape and wire seized from Bari's home and Cherney's van are not complete, preliminary results indicate they do not match components of the bomb or are so common that they are meaningless as evidence.

Tribune writer Carolyn Newbergh contributed to this report.

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Prosecutor delays Earth First! decision

By Barry Witt
 Mercury News Oakland Bureau

An Alameda County prosecutor said Thursday he needs more time before deciding whether to file charges against Earth First! activists Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari, who are suspects in last month's bombing of Bari's car in Oakland.

"There are several different things in the investigation that we're waiting on," said Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter, who last week had said a decision would be made today.

After consulting with attorneys for Cherney and Bari, Carpenter said he would announce his decision July 13.

"I remain confident that no charges will be filed," said Doug Horngard, Cherney's attorney.

Oakland police arrested Cherney and Bari on suspicion of transport-

ing the pipe bomb after it blew up her Subaru station wagon May 24. The district attorney has declined to file criminal charges, awaiting further investigation by police and the FBI.

Carpenter said Thursday it is investigative work by the Oakland Police Department, not the FBI, that he is waiting on.

Oakland police officials could not be reached for comment Thursday. An FBI spokeswoman said her agency's investigation into the Oakland case and a bombing last month at a Cloverdale lumber mill is continuing.

Cherney, Bari and their supporters say the two activists were attacked with the bomb and that authorities have failed to pursue their assailants.

Bari, 40, and Cherney, 34, were in the Bay Area recruiting college

students and other activists for Redwood Summer, a summerlong series of non-violent protests against logging on the North Coast.

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Prosecutors win delay in Earth First bomb case

Wounded leaders deny involvement

By Don Martinez
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OAKLAND — Alameda County prosecutors were granted a delay Friday until July 18 to determine whether to file charges against two leaders of the Earth First environmental group accused of carrying a bomb that injured them when it blew up last month.

Chris Carpenter, assistant district attorney for Alameda County, said the investigation to determine who was responsible for the May 24 car bombing hasn't been completed. He also said FBI lab tests have not been completed.

Earth First organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were arrested the day after the blast but subsequently released from custody. Bari remains hospitalized in Oakland with injuries from the blast.

Municipal Judge Jack Gifford granted the continuance. It was the

second delay granted this month to prosecutors.

Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, objected to the ruling.

"We are deeply disturbed that the district attorney has not taken the opportunity to clear Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney of these charges," Jordan said. "However, we will return with optimism that this cloud of suspicion will be removed from their heads."

Bari and Cherney have contended that they were the victims of an assassination attempt in retaliation for their work in organizing the anti-timber industry, "Redwood Summer" protests that began this week.

Carpenter said evidence crucial to his case hasn't been made available by the FBI, which is examining the remnants of the bomb and other physical evidence.

As the prosecution asked to push back its decision date in Oakland's courthouse, about 75 protesters stood outside the courtroom and chanted "Free the Redwood Two. It could have been me and you."

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Still No Charges In Earth First Bombing Case

By Michael Taylor
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Citing a delay in their investigation, Alameda County prosecutors declined again yesterday to file charges against Earth First bombing suspects Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, prompting defense lawyers to charge that the police have no evidence to support prosecution.

Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said the police and FBI investigation of the May 24 bombing of Bari's Subaru station wagon "has not been completed." Carpenter had been expected to announce whether he would charge the two radical environmentalists with transporting explosives.

Oakland-Piedmont Municipal Court Judge Jack Gifford rescheduled the hearing for July 18. Last month, shortly before a scheduled arraignment of Bari and Cherney, prosecutors declined to file charges. They again declined to file charges at a hearing on Monday.

Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, told the judge: "We are deeply disturbed that the district attorney has not taken this opportunity to clear Miss Bari and Mr. Cherney of these charges. However, we will return with great optimism that this cloud of suspicion over their heads will be removed."

Bari, 40, and Cherney, 33, were arrested shortly after a bomb placed with nails exploded in their car as they were driving through Oakland. Police insisted that the militant environmentalists, leaders in a group that has advocated and then renounced tree-spiking as an expression of protest, were knowingly carrying explosives in the automobile.

Bari was severely injured and remains hospitalized. Cherney is free on \$100,000 bail, which was posted a few days after the explosion, before the authorities suddenly backed off on their public pronouncements that Cherney and Bari were the bombers. Cherney's attorney, Douglas Horngard, said the bail would be applied to any charges that might be filed against Cherney.

Although Carpenter refused to elaborate on his apparently evasive case, Oakland homicide Lieutenant Mike Sims said last week that the FBI has examined Bari's car, but "it could take up to two or three weeks to get the results. These are complex tests, and they take time."

The case appears to focus largely on forensic evidence and, specifically, on a comparison between nails found in the rubble of the blast and nails seized from the homes of Bari and Cherney.

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Police leaks alleged in Earth First! case

By Barry Witt
Mercury News Oakland Bureau

Although Alameda County prosecutors don't know enough to decide whether to charge two Earth First! activists with carrying a bomb, somebody in the Oakland Police Department is conducting a smear campaign against the activists, an attorney for one of the two suspects said Friday.

For the third time since the bomb blew up on May 24, the Oakland Tribune on Friday quoted unidentified "sources" disclosing what could be damaging information against activists Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari.

The newspaper said "sources" reported that crime-lab tests reveal that finishing nails taped to the pipe bomb have the same distinct manufacturer's markings on them as nails authorities found while searching Bari's Redwood Valley home.

"It's fair to say there are those in the Oakland Police Department

who are involved in a concerted smear campaign," said Douglas Horngrad, an attorney for Cherney, who was injured when a bomb blew up in Bari's car last month. "It's unfortunate when we're asking for access to information, we're being denied that, and then we see these selective leaks in the media, sometimes right, sometimes wrong."

Oakland Police Lt. Mike Sims, whose homicide unit is conducting the investigation, denied Horngrad's charges.

"My office has nothing to do with a smear campaign or attempt to try this in the newspaper," Sims said. "I don't know where (the Tribune) got that, but I know they didn't get it from me."

Attorneys for Cherney and Bari have been demanding — without success — access to most of the physical evidence in the case. Authorities have refused most of

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those requests while an FBI examination of the materials is being conducted.

Although that examination was supposed to have been concluded this week, some results are not in yet, authorities said, prompting the prosecutor on Friday to delay for the third time a decision on whether to file charges.

Oakland police arrested Bari and Cherney shortly after the bomb exploded as they drove past Oakland High School last month. But Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter said he will not decide on whether to charge the case until the investigation is complete.

Carpenter said he was not the source of the leaks and cast doubt on some of the contents in the Tribune's report.

"Don't assume that everything in there is correct," Carpenter said. Earlier this week, he expressed the frustration authorities feel while investigations are being conducted,

saying they can't reveal information while they have to take criticism from the other side.

Cherney, Bari, their attorneys and supporters continued their attacks on the authorities at a news conference Friday morning after the case was officially delayed until July 18.

On the latest delay, Bari's attorney, Susan B. Jordan, said authorities are "seeking facts to support a theory, not vice versa" and demanded that Bari's and Cherney's names be cleared and their assailant be pursued.

The Tribune's sources also said tests have shown that nails found in the rear of Bari's car were not identical to those tied to the 12-inch pipe bomb as had been reported earlier. That earlier link was disclosed in court documents filed in connection with a search warrant.

The sources also said that an anonymous letter writer who claimed responsibility for placing the bomb in Bari's car and putting another in a Cloverdale lumber mill last month knew so much that

authorities are certain the writer was involved in the incidents as an accomplice.

In a joint statement issued later in the day, the attorneys for Bari and Cherney said they found "nothing in this article which incriminates Judi and Darryl." The matter of the nail markings "tells us little or nothing about who made this bomb" because the nails are "common in use."

Horngrad, Cherney's attorney, said he didn't know where in the department the leaks came from, suggesting "it's either an orchestrated campaign from someone high up or some rogue officer who heard something and decided to call the Oakland Tribune."

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CLOUDS OF SUSPICION REMAINS**BOMB CASE DOUBTS***Earth First! car bomb investigation denounced**By Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune*

A MOVE BY prosecutors yesterday to delay deciding whether to file bomb charges against two Earth First! leaders was sharply criticized by a lawyer for one of them for unfairly leaving a "cloud of suspicion" over the activists.

Prosecutor Chris Carpenter, saying more time is needed to complete the criminal investigation against Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, asked for a continuance in the case to July 18, a request that was granted by Oakland Municipal Court Judge Jack Gifford.

Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, did not object to the request, but said, "We are deeply disturbed that the district attorney has not taken the opportunity to clear Ms. Bari and Mr. Cherney and remove this cloud of suspicion that hangs over them."

Bari and Cherney were arrested by Oakland police within hours of a May 24 explosion that ripped apart their car. Police said they suspect the pair were transporting an "anti-personnel" pipe bomb.

Cherney and Bari have steadfastly denied they knew the bomb was inside the car, saying they were the targets of assassins because of their campaign against the timber industry or other groups.

Authorities said the delay in a decision to file formal charges was needed to complete FBI laboratory tests on

components of the bomb and interview some witnesses.

At a press conference following the two-minute court hearing yesterday, Jordan, Cherney and other speakers criticized the district attorney's office and Oakland police.

Jordan said she, Bari, Cherney and their supporters believe authorities "are seeking facts to support a theory, not vice versa."

To the applause of about 100 Earth First! supporters, Jordan said authorities "are not out conducting the investigation you want, the American public wants and we want to know who tried to kill Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney."

Cherney, holding up copies of death threat letters he and Bari have received, said Oakland police "say there is no evidence to prove someone else tried to kill us. That is an out and out lie."

Cherney would not speculate on what individual may have planted the bomb, but said Bari's organizing efforts among loggers were "very frightening to the timber industry. There are many people who need to be questioned on this but they haven't."

Bari, who remains hospitalized because of injuries she suffered in the explosion, issued a written statement saying, "law enforcement officials have jumped on the bandwagon to attempt to delegitimize me, my work, Earth First! and the work of movements for social change."

"We are being targeted for infiltration, disruption, destruction and violence because we are effective organizers," the statement said.

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Jordan and Cherney's attorney also issued a written statement dismissing the significance of physical evidence police say may link Bari to the bomb.

The Tribune reported yesterday that lab tests show nails found at Bari's home are identical to those used in the bomb. But the lawyers said the nails are so common that the similarities are meaningless.

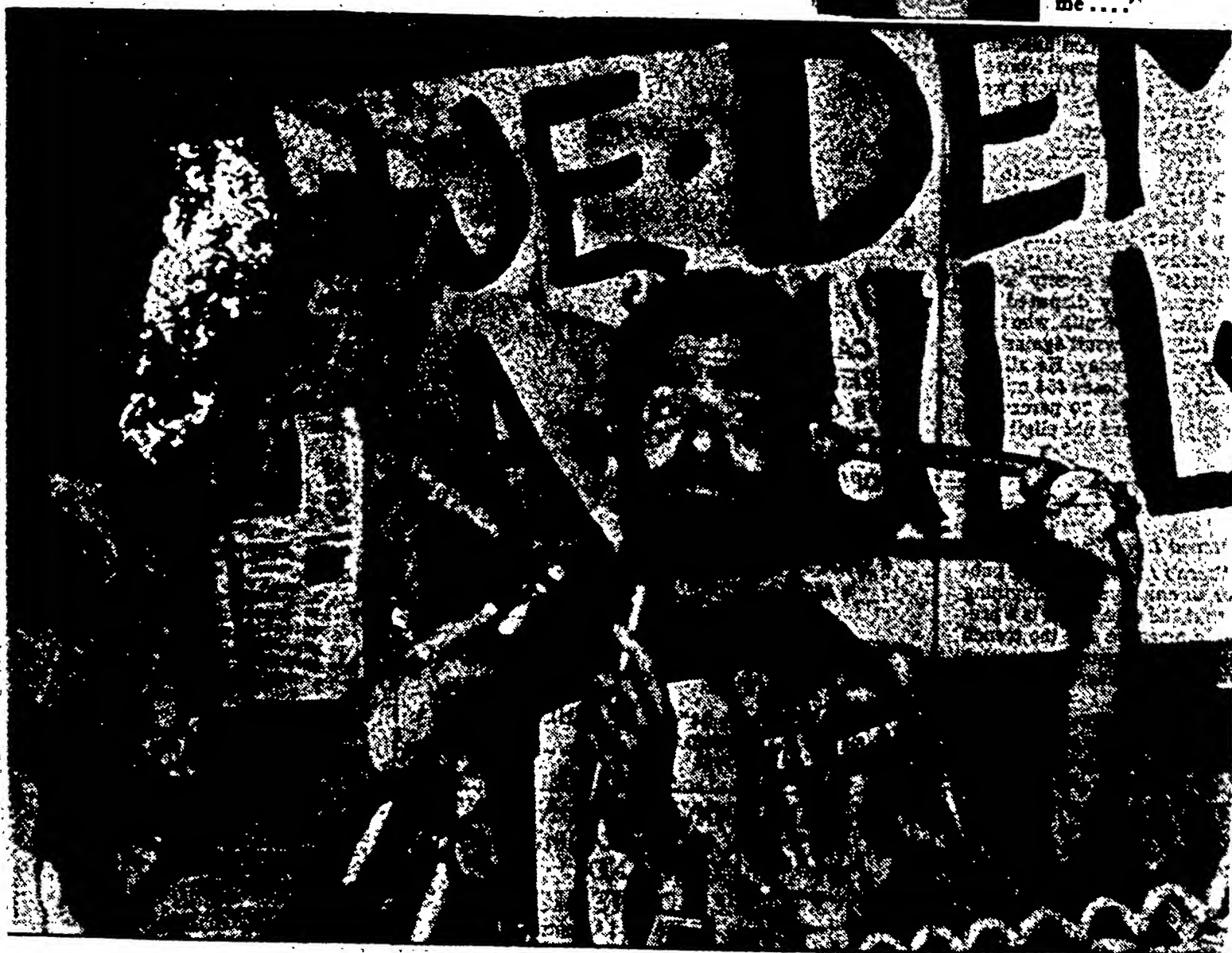
"It's like saying a pair of Nike running shoes were found in the car and another pair of running shoes made by Nike was found in Judi's house," the lawyers' statement said.

Jordan said there was "no evidence whatsoever" that Bari and Cherney had anything to do with putting the bomb in Bari's car.

"This is a crime looking for a victim and unfortunately Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney are the victims."



A written statement from Judi Bari, who remains hospitalized, said, "Law enforcement officials have jumped on the bandwagon to attempt to delegitimize me"



Darryl Cherney, who was hurt by the bomb, held a press conference denouncing the investigation.

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Earth First! case: big theories, tiny clues

By Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

Were Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney innocent victims of a bombing attack by angry loggers or law enforcement officers?

Or were they members of an extremist environmental group transporting an explosive device that accidentally blew up?

As the Earth First! bombing investigation drags into its fifth week, it appears the answers to those questions ultimately may hinge on the meaning of obscure scraps of evidence now surfacing, such as a colored towel and some finishing nails found in Bari's home or car.

Thus far the importance of that evidence has largely been lost in the public debate over the bombing, as political leanings have determined opinions on the guilt or innocence of the activists.

Within days of the May 24 explosion that ripped apart the car, Bari and Cherney were driving in Oakland, the Communist Party chapter in Sonoma County issued a statement crying "frame-up," and charging that the FBI "has been surveilling, infiltrating and harassing Earth First!"

Some past targets of Earth First! campaigns were equally quick to conclude Bari and Cherney were guilty.

For many leftists, the Earth First! bombing conjures up images of famous political conspiracy cases of the past in which

radicals were falsely accused. They point to the murder conviction and execution of anarchists Sacco and Vanzetti in the 1920s and to labor leader Tom Mooney, who was convicted but later pardoned on charges he planted a bomb at a San Francisco labor rally in 1916.

Some supporters of Bari and Cherney have said the pair are the victims of a police conspiracy or coverup or were attacked by loggers or similar enemies of Earth First!

Oakland police and the FBI vehemently deny being part of any coverup or conspiracy. They say while they have not ruled out that the pair were targets of an attack, Bari and Cherney are suspects in the case because of physical evidence and what police say is information about Earth First!'s violent tendencies.

Further muddying the waters is the "Lord's Avenger," an anonymous letter writer who has taken credit for the bombing.

Proponents of each theory on the cause of the bombing have advanced some evidence supporting their conclusions. But there are major unanswered questions or contradictory evidence in each case:

The Police Conspiracy Theory

As soon as the FBI and Oakland Police said they considered Bari and Cherney suspects, Earth First! supporters accused authorities of incompetence, a coverup or worse.

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"This whole thing reeks of an FBI operation," Cherney told The Tribune the day after the bomb blast.

Leftists point to the FBI's discredited "COINTELPRO" operation of the 1960s and 1970s, aimed at disrupting and discrediting radical groups such as the Black Panther Party. During the same period, Oakland police were involved in violent altercations with the Panthers and other radicals.

More recently, Earth First! supporters have criticized an FBI undercover operation that resulted in the arrest in May 1989 of four members of the group, including Dave Foreman, one of its founders, for allegedly plotting to blow up nuclear power plant transmission lines.

Defense attorneys charged that an FBI undercover agent said in a recorded conversation that Foreman was "the guy we need to pop to send a message."

Foreman and the others have pleaded innocent in the case.

Cherney also has questioned a police search of his car during an Earth First! demonstration at the Golden Gate Bridge in April in which he was arrested but not charged. The search was done by the California Highway Patrol, while FBI agents and an Oakland police officer were at the scene monitoring the situation.

"It didn't take us long to make the connection between OPD and FBI," Cherney said in an interview with The Tribune a week ago.

The suggestions of an FBI or Oakland police plot have been adamantly denied by both agencies.

"There is no plot between the Oakland Police Department, the FBI or anyone else in this case," Oakland Police Chief George Hart said. "Why would we have a conspiracy against Earth First!? I think that this particular organization has an inflated view of their significance if they believe we have the time to worry about conspiring against them on anything."

Duke Diedrich, spokesman for the FBI's San Francisco office, said, "To just come out and speculate that because of COINTELPRO that we would be involved in putting bombs in cars is ridiculous."

Richard W. Held, special agent in charge of the FBI San Francisco office, also has denied the allegations. He has encouraged anyone with information about alleged impropriety by the FBI to report it to the bureau's Office of Professional Responsibility or local authorities.

FBI agents and other law enforcement officials said the bureau has rejected the COINTELPRO tactics of the past that led to scandalous revelations and congressional oversight. At the bureau's San Francisco office, agents said Held has repeatedly stressed they follow the bureau's policy of only investigating criminal acts, not political groups.

The Angry Logger Theory

Bari and Cherney have received dozens of death threats because of their leadership of the "Redwood Summer" anti-logging campaign. Some people believe their activism prompted an attack on the pair.

One letter to Bari signed the "Committee For the Death of Earth First!" threatened to "hunt down each and every (Earth First!) member."

An anonymous post card Bari received in April said, "We know everything. . . . You won't get a second warning."

Another letter from a group calling itself the "Stompers" warned Bari, Cherney and a third Earth First! activist, "If you want to be a martyr, we will be happy to oblige."

The theory that a logger or other Earth First! enemy planted the bomb is undermined, however, by the fact the bomb that exploded was inside Bari's car, according to bomb experts.

People planting bombs almost always place them under a car or under its hood to conceal them, experts said. The bomb in Bari's car was on the floorboard behind the driver's seat, sources said, where it could be seen by someone getting into the vehicle.

Also, police believe the bomb probably was placed in the car

while Bari was staying at a house in East Oakland the night before the bombing. People who were in the car with Bari when she was in Mendocino County the day before saw no explosive device.

That points away from logger involvement, investigators said, because a logger would be far more likely to plant the bomb in familiar territory in Mendocino County than on a strange street in East Oakland.

Logging company officials and loggers have adamantly denied any role in the attack.

The Lord's Avenger Theory

Within a week of the bombing, an anonymous letter was mailed claiming responsibility for the explosion. The letter writer said he was retaliating against Bari and Cherney for their pro-abortion and anti-logging protests.

The "Lord's Avenger" also took credit for a May 9 bomb attack at a Cloverdale lumber company office.

The credibility of the letter has been called into question, however, because of the writer's claim that he planted the bomb in Bari's car on the evening of May 22 while it was parked outside a restaurant in Willits. The writer also said he covered the bomb with a colored towel.

But when the bomb was supposedly planted, the car was parked under a street light, in front of a restaurant picture window and only 100 feet from the Willits police department.

Three people who later got into the car with Bari said they did not notice any bomb. One of them placed his feet on the floor where the bomb supposedly was located and felt nothing, and two of them saw the colored towel in the back storage area of the station wagon, not on the floorboard.

While his story of how the bomb was planted apparently is not true, investigators believe the "avenger" was somehow connected to the bombing. The letter he wrote included some detailed and accurate information about both the Cloverdale bomb and the Oakland device, including a description of the colored towel which was on the bomb when it exploded.

Some officials say they suspect the letter writer was an accomplice of Bari and Cherney and concocted the story about being the "Lord's Avenger" and planting the bomb to send investigators on a false trail.

But Cherney has said he thinks the letter is just a fake.

The Earth First! Terrorists Theory

Police have based their conclusion that Bari and Cherney were transporting the device largely on physical evidence recovered from the scene and what they say are the violent tendencies of Earth First!

Sources said lab tests show finishing nails taped to the bomb match nails that were found in a search of Bari's Mendocino County home last month. Both sets of nails have distinct manufacturer's markings on them, sources said, although the nails are in common use.

Earth First! supporters have retorted that Bari was a carpenter doing work on her home and frequently used all kinds of nails.

"It's like saying a pair of Nike running shoes was found in the car and another pair of running

shoes made by Nike was found in Judi's house," attorneys for the Bari and Cherney said in a prepared statement this week.

Authorities also say that on the morning of the explosion, Bari packed her car and would have seen the bomb because she placed her guitar case in the back seat area near the device.

But Bari's friends have said her car is so cluttered with boxes and other items that she easily could have overlooked it.

Lawyers for Bari and Cherney said there was "no evidence linking Judi or Darryl to the bomb."

"Our belief is ... there is no case now and there never will be a case against these people," said Cherney's attorney, Douglas Horngrad.

Others in Earth First! said the police allegations were preposterous because Cherney and Bari were committed to non-violence. The pair, particularly Bari, convinced the Earth First! group in the Mendocino area to renounce the practice of spiking trees to prevent logging, arguing it posed a danger to lumber workers.

But critics of Earth First! have said there is other information that raises questions about the group's commitment, as well as that of Cherney and Bari, to non-violence.

Cherney has said while he is opposed to violence against people, he does not consider destruction of property to be violence.

"We do not condemn sabotage," he told The Tribune last month. "There are times when it is morally justifiable."

And Bari once posed for a photograph holding an Uzi machine gun although she and other Earth First! members say the picture was only a joke.

More recently, Earth First! members say, Bari and Cherney have been unequivocal in their insistence on non-violence during this year's "Redwood Summer" logging protests.

That they would be involved in a bombing makes no sense, Earth First! supporters said, because it would undermine the pacifism they have been advocating.

— Tribune writers Robert Lopez and Carolyn Newbergh contributed to this report.



Richard W. Held
Head FBI agent



David Foreman
Earth First! founder



The Associated Press

Earth First! activist Judi Bari is serenaded in Oakland hospital room by compatriot Darryl Cherney.



Police Chief George Hart
Denies conspiracy



Darryl Cherney
Suspect in bombing

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REDWOOD SUMMER

NORTH COAST RALLIES

Residents join fight to stem excess logging

By Marie Felde
The Tribune

CASPAR — Meridian Green thinks a tourist map for this summer showing where trees have been clear cut in the state's north coast forests would be a great idea.

"People need to see what's just past the view screen" left by the loggers on the edge of roadways, she said as she stood looking over a steep ravine behind her house in Mendocino County.

Two years ago logging crews removed all but the occasional tree and stump, making Green mad enough to become active in forestry protests this summer.

Like Green, many other longtime residents of the state's north coast are as much a part of "Redwood Summer," the months-long protest to slow logging, as the more celebrated Earth First! activists.

The residents say they know better than anyone how important the timber industry is to the economy of Mendocino and Humboldt counties. It currently provides just over 10 percent of the region's jobs and a sizable portion of its tax base.

But they also say they see firsthand that timber jobs will be lost forever and the environment permanently scarred if logging continues at its current pace.

Many of their north coast neighbors don't agree. Timber workers are holding rallies and running full-page newspaper advertisements telling those who seek change to back off; that their jobs and the livelihood of their families are at stake.

"People need the work. They need to cut the trees. How can the country get by without lumber? There's laws to protect the trees," said a Garberville waitress whose husband used to drive a logging truck.

Redwood Summer has sparked such debate all over the north coast and captured widespread attention.

But for many locals who have joined the protest, their fight for forests is not a new undertaking.

"Without ordinary people taking Wednesday mornings off from their jobs to fight timber harvest plans before the Department of Forestry and forming local watershed protection groups, Redwood Summer would not be taking off like it is," said Pam Miller.

"We are all participating in Redwood Summer. It is much bigger than Judi Bari and Earth First!," said Miller, 47, a Berkeley transplant to the little Mendocino County town of Philo where she grows organic vegetables for markets and restaurants.

Miller knows Judi Bari, the activist who was badly injured in last month's car bombing in Oakland, and respects the work and commitment of many Earth Firsters. But she added that the dedication of local people cannot be overlooked.

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"What people focus on is the civil disobedience," but local people also devote a great deal of their time monitoring logging plans and intervening at public hearings and with lawsuits, she said.

That has not been lost on

Earth First! leaders, such as Pam Davis.

The radical environmental group Earth First! initiated the idea of Redwood Summer and is organizing months of non-violent forest actions such as the blockade last Wednesday at Louisiana Pacific.

"One of the things that became real clear is that there are lots of local activist groups and local watershed groups and all have an agenda for their area," said Davis, whose permanent home is in Sonoma County.

"We are here to learn from them, to support the work they are doing. We don't want to undermine anyone," said Davis recently at the remote camp in Humboldt County where Redwood Summer protesters are gathering from across the country.

Green, Miller and others hope the attention Earth First! has generated will provide needed momentum.

"Fighting timber harvest plan by harvest plan is a tedious process," said Green.

Timber harvest plans must be approved by the Department of Forestry before logging on a site can begin.

A well-publicized, coordinated action might be what it takes to bring quicker change, said Green, a 24-year-old musician

who has lived in the north coast for more than a dozen years.

"There are supposed to be all these (logging practices) experts. Where have they been for the past 10 years?" Green asked.

She said she knows how important timber jobs are to the region and does not want to close down all logging.

"We'd have 15 percent to 20 percent unemployment all year," rather than just when winter weather shuts down the industry, as is the case now. "It would have an economic impact on the rest of the economy. We all stand to lose," she said.

Roanne Withers' specific interest in Redwood Summer is jobs. The 37-year-old accountant and labor organizer believes loggers and mill workers are being exploited by the lumber corporations.

She is trying to convince workers at the Georgia Pacific lumber mill in the coast town of Fort Bragg to back a community-based worker buyout of the plant. There is some support, she said, but the mill's union leadership is not behind her.

"My role is to give them an option between no trees and all trees. If they stay with Georgia Pacific, their jobs will be gone in 10 years — the trees will be gone."

Withers said it is her hope the

summer-long protests and the forest protection initiative on the November ballot, called Forests Forever, will convince the timber companies to get out of the business and sell to the employees.

She acknowledges that if the initiative passes, some mill workers will lose their jobs. "But the only way to bring forests back to make a sustainable living is to do rehab for a while," she said.

Many timber workers, however, don't agree. Wages are good for most, timber prices are as high as they've been in years and there is no lack of jobs.

An advertisement by employees of Pacific Lumber that appeared in the Times-Standard newspaper of Eureka called on Californians to reject the Forests Forever initiative as a "needless burden to the state of California and our community."

The feelings are well-known to Withers and other locals who support a logging slowdown.

The concerns spotlighted by Redwood Summer are not just a lot of philosophical talk brought by outside environmentalists, she said. "It is us. It is this community. Our population is 6,000. We know each other. We see each other at the gas station, at the grocery store," she said.



More than 40 demonstrators were arrested as they blocked a logging truck Wednesday.

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Camping on the redwoods' doorstep

Earth First! base hums

Linda Goldston
 Mercury News Staff Writer

HONEYDEW. — Around the bend from the highway, where the water is deeper and shrubs block the view from the road, a woman and a small child bathe nude in the cool, green water of the Mattole River.

Just on the freeway, an hour's drive away, a silver pickup truck sports a new, Day-Glo orange bumper sticker: "Earth Firsters — America's favorite speed bumps."

That statement and others like it are all too familiar to inhabitants of the base camp for Redwood Summer, where several times a day

they hear a honking horn and turn to see a one-fingered salute and a glare from a local resident.

In a timber region in crisis that is facing the loss of jobs, feelings run deep against Earth First! and its supporters. The anger is not lost on the environmental activists, who feel just as deeply about their Redwood Summer campaign of protests and demonstrations aimed at slowing logging on the North Coast.

That's why non-violence training has been required of everyone who passes through the camp and why activists have set up their own 24-hour security watches at their encampment along the rocky banks of the Mattole in

southern Humboldt County.

But Pam Davis, an Earth First! organizer and coordinator of the base camp, is convinced that something greater, something more far-reaching than a battle over the forests, is occurring during Redwood Summer.

Davis and others see the event as the seed of a new decade of environmental activism. They see it as the Woodstock of the timber wars, the catalyst that will spark a movement. The next major protest is scheduled for July 21 in Fort Bragg, but activists also are staging small, impromptu demonstrations — such as sitting in trees on Pacific Lumber land.

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"Everybody who came here is dedicated to one thing, saving the planet," said Kendo, 50, a member of the Rainbow Family of hippies, who travel around the country together or break off on their own before rejoining their clan.

Kendo arrived in the base camp last month with his worldly possessions — a sleeping bag and a backpack. Others arrived with brand-new tents and bottles of mineral water.

There are college students from San Jose and Santa Rosa and people who quit their jobs in Illinois, Wisconsin and Texas. But many of the three dozen regular residents of the camp are self-described environmental vagabonds, people who spend their summers traveling the green belt from Santa Cruz to Seattle.

In a life that would be unthinkable to the 12-hour-a-day workers in Silicon Valley, these environmental vagabonds work when they

have to and live as close to the land as they can. It's a life they learned in the 1960s, either firsthand or from their parents.

"They've carried their approaches to social change with them," said Carrie McClintock, 23, of Santa Cruz, a writer and nuclear freeze activist. "What we have in common is the need for Mother Earth to be healthy and strong so we all can continue."

McClintock and Aaron King, 22, also of Santa Cruz, will spend a

few more days in base camp before heading to Oregon and perhaps back here again before the summer is over.

It's the way it's gone since the base camp opened several weeks ago, with activists coming and going constantly.

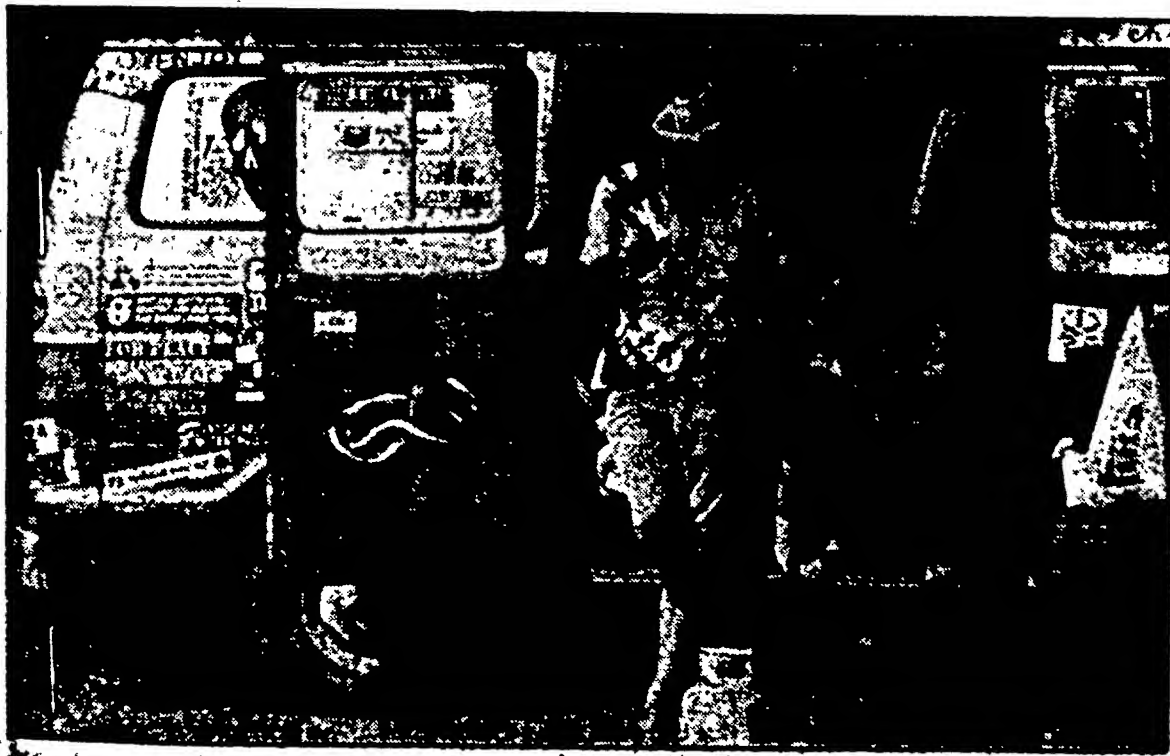
For those who stay, there are scheduled activities and three meals a day provided by the Seeds of Peace group. A film Monday night featured the creation of People's Park in Berkeley in 1969. A

seminar was held Friday on the "FBI and Its Tactics."

A huge tent erected Monday serves as the community hall. Inside, a table filled with fliers and pamphlets has been labeled the library.

Impromptu meetings — on everything from planning new protests to whether dogs in the camp should be on leashes — are held throughout the day.

Activists were to learn late Saturday whether their permit for the camp from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management could be extended indefinitely. If not, they vowed to find a new location, saying it's the spirit of the gathering — not the location — that matters. "Part of why I'm here is the education of my children," said Sarah Carney, 34, a college student from Sonoma County. "One generation is not going to solve the problems with our planet. It has to be passed on to the next generation."



Sarah King and Carrie McClintock pause for tea, left, and at right, Sarah Carney of Sonoma rinses clothes in a creek.

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LOGGING-A PROTEST 'Redwood Summer' becomes clash of cultures

by Jane Kay
EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

HONEYDEW, Humboldt County — Here, west of Garberville, in a "Redwood Summer" encampment, environmentalists take a buddy if they leave the group at night.

The old-timers among them say it's just like "Mississippi Summer" in the 1960s, when civil rights organizers were afraid to go out alone after dark.

They've come from New York, Illinois, Massachusetts, Florida and other parts of California to put their bodies on the line over an issue they believe in: saving ancient trees.

Fifty supporters of the direct-action no-compromise Earth First, which organized a summer-long action called "Mississippi Summer in the California Redwoods," have been camping for the past two weeks near Honeydew on federal Bureau of Land Management land. They expected to be evicted this weekend when their permit ex-

pires. So far they haven't found another place to go.

On the land, they've been trained in nonviolence, rattlesnake bites and how to respect local residents who may not want visitors — or their opinions — on their property.

It's bitter here behind the Redwood Curtain, where timber workers blame environmental activists, especially Earth First, for sweeping cuts in the amount of logging and development allowed in the old-growth forests of the Northwest.

Decision on spotted owl

The Interior Department's decision Friday to list the northern spotted owl as a threatened species touched off even more anger against "outsiders" and "local weirdos" who interfere with the business of logging in North Coast communities.

The decision was like a red flag, as conservationists keep coming in to Arcata and Honeydew to demonstrate, sit in trees and block trucks in an attempt to draw na-

tional attention to unrelenting logging.

Last week, some 700 supporters of Earth First ventured into the heart of timber territory in Siskiyou, north of Eureka, to protest because Louisiana Pacific is laying off workers while building a lumber plant in Mexico. Forty-four were

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Early Friday, four men were pulled out of trees and arrested after a three-day occupation 15 miles southeast of Eureka between the prized Headwaters and All Species groves owned by Pacific Lumber Co. and Sierra Pacific Industries.

Two weeks ago, some protesters were roughed up by loggers when they tried to stop logging on private land. One had a cold chisel held to his neck. In retrospect, they say they were wrong in trying to interfere with active logging, but that the loggers were wrong in taking the law into their own hands.

But many are new to direct action.

"I was smack dab in the middle of yuppieland when I heard about Redwood Summer," said Jan, a San Diego woman who refinanced her house and quit her job to come here. "I thought I'd go down with the trees because I didn't want to live in a world without them."

Ernesto Montenero, an ecologist who works for Native Landscapes in Saratoga, came with friends. He said, "There's no time to wait. Every day that goes by, the ferns, the iris, the hazelnut, the pines are destroyed, the thousands of plants that are protected by the redwoods. They take the redwoods, bulldoze and leave a wasteland."

The timber community isn't taking this activism calmly. In Redway, Hayfork and Fortuna, businesses sport yellow signs saying, "We support the timber industry." Some shop owners say they're afraid to refuse them. Radio stations carry advertisements telling the logging community to fight back.

At a Unity Rally June 1 at the College of the Redwoods in Arcata, timber workers were told they'd better start lobbying and raising a stink against logging controls or they'd be out of jobs — with only themselves to blame.

The hard liners who wanted to show the patience with the survival

mentalists clashed with the cooler heads who called for compromise with Earth First.

Kent Holmgren, a fourth-generation Miranda timber man, said he's heard there's a bounty on Earth First members: "You don't have to bring them in, only their ears."

Threats, insults and anonymous letters got so nasty that We Care, an industry group, and the Arcata Action Center, an environmental action group, joined in weeks of meetings and counseling with the Humboldt Mediation Services.

Eschewing violence

Last week, Arcata Redwood Co., Sierra Pacific Industries and other timber concerns issued a letter telling their workers to eschew violence. Environmentalists, too, promised not to harm property or engage in violent activity.

The timber industry told employees to stay away from last week's Earth First protest.

"We're down and we've got to get back up," said a native Eureka, Rob McBeth, who got stuck in traffic at the Louisiana-Pacific plant and fumed while he watched the demonstration. "We've got to let the nation know that the information we're hearing about the timber industry isn't factual."

"I think the working people feel really beat up. We don't have high tech here. We need the timber industry here, and it's a good industry," McBeth said.

The environmentalists are trying to link with the workers this summer over issues of health and safety and maintaining a sustainable forest — producing new trees as fast as they're cut to maintain jobs.

The workers say they're caught in the middle. They're losing jobs to automation and timber exports. Many feel defeated, that their way of life is being slowly but surely destroyed.

The hard liners who wanted to show the patience with the survival

gewell in Humboldt County. As the old trees were logged, reforestation was nonexistent or spotty, and companies didn't invest in new mills to handle the less-valuable smaller trees.

At the Northcoast Environmental Center in Arcata, spokeswoman Connie Stewart said:

"Everyone wants to talk about environmentalists taking jobs from loggers. No one wants to talk about the economic effects of exports or automation."

If the environmentalists want to build bridges with the old-timers, it will be difficult.

Holmgren, whose family settled in Miranda generations ago, said

this of his own back-to-the-land neighbors: "We just have a different lifestyle. I get up early, and they stay up late. I don't smoke. They don't belong to the Grange, the Rotary, the Lions or Kiwanis. They join EPIC (Environmental Protection Information Center), and not too many old-timers belong to that."

Andy Barnett, a woodworker-environmentalist, a "hipneck," who moved to Humboldt County 10 years ago, was giving advice for the orientation at the base camp for Redwood Summer.

"You must approach these people with compassion. They're coming from a different mind-set. You can't think they're any less than you are. They were coming to the land to survive. They came to take."

"The urban transplants were choosing to come to the land for what the land would give them."

"That's the real confrontation."



Earth First activists and environmentalists stage an anti-logging protest in Samoa, Humboldt County. EXAMINER/MARK COSTANTINI



Mill workers at their own demonstration in Humboldt County, to counter the protests of environmentalists.

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Earth First! case: big theories, tiny clues

By Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

Were Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney innocent victims of a bombing attack by angry loggers or law enforcement officers?

Or were they members of an extremist environmental group transporting an explosive device that accidentally blew up?

As the Earth First! bombing investigation drags into its fifth week, it appears the answers to those questions ultimately may hinge on the meaning of obscure scraps of evidence now surfacing, such as a colored towel and some finishing nails found in Bari's home or car.

Thus far, the importance of that evidence has largely been lost in the public debate over the bombing, as political leanings have determined opinions on the

guilt or innocence of the activists.

Within days of the May 24 explosion that ripped apart the car Bari and Cherney were driving in Oakland, the Communist Party chapter in Sonoma County issued a statement crying "frame-up," and charging that the FBI "has been surveilling, infiltrating and harassing Earth First!"

Some past targets of Earth First! campaigns were equally quick to conclude Bari and Cherney were guilty.

For many leftists, the Earth First! bombing conjures up images of famous political conspiracy cases of the past in which

radicals were falsely accused. They point to the murder conviction and execution of anarchists Sacco and Vanzetti in the 1920s and to labor leader Tom Mooney, who was convicted but later pardoned on charges he planted a bomb at a San Francisco labor rally in 1916.

Some supporters of Bari and Cherney have said the pair are the victims of a police conspiracy or coverup or were attacked by loggers or similar enemies of Earth First!

Oakland police and the FBI vehemently deny being part of any coverup or conspiracy. They say while they have not ruled out that the pair were targets of an attack, Bari and Cherney are suspects in the case because of physical evidence and what police say is information about Earth First!'s violent tendencies.

Further muddying the waters is the "Lord's Avenger," an anonymous letter writer who has taken credit for the bombing.

Proponents of each theory on the cause of the bombing have advanced some evidence supporting their conclusions. But there are major unanswered questions or contradictory evidence in each case:

The Police Conspiracy Theory

As soon as the FBI and Oakland Police said they considered Bari and Cherney suspects, Earth First! supporters accused authorities of incompetence, a coverup or worse.

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"This whole thing reeks of an FBI operation," Cherney told The Tribune the day after the bomb blast.

Leftists point to the FBI's discredited "COINTELPRO" operation of the 1960s and 1970s, aimed at disrupting and discrediting radical groups such as the Black Panther Party. During the same period, Oakland police were involved in violent altercations with the Panthers and other radicals.

More recently, Earth First! supporters have criticized an FBI undercover operation that resulted in the arrest in May 1989 of four members of the group, including Dave Foreman, one of its founders, for allegedly plotting to blow up nuclear power plant transmission lines.

Defense attorneys charged that an FBI undercover agent said in a recorded conversation that Foreman was "the guy we need to pop to send a message."

Foreman and the others have pleaded innocent in the case.

Cherney also has questioned a police search of his car during an Earth First! demonstration at the Golden Gate Bridge in April in which he was arrested but not charged. The search was done by the California Highway Patrol, while FBI agents and an Oakland police officer were at the scene monitoring the situation.

"It didn't take us long to make the connection between OPD and FBI," Cherney said in an interview with The Tribune a week ago.

The suggestions of an FBI or Oakland police plot have been adamantly denied by both agencies.

"There is no plot between the Oakland Police Department, the FBI or anyone else in this case," Oakland Police Chief George Hart said. "Why would we have a conspiracy against Earth First!? I think that this particular organization has an inflated view of their significance if they believe we have the time to worry about conspiring against them on anything."

Duke Diedrich, spokesman for the FBI's San Francisco office, said, "To just come out and speculate that because of COINTELPRO that we would be involved in putting bombs in cars is ridiculous."

Richard W. Held, special agent in charge of the FBI San Francisco office, also has denied the allegations. He has encouraged anyone with information about alleged impropriety by the FBI to report it to the bureau's Office of Professional Responsibility or local authorities.

FBI agents and other law enforcement officials said the bureau has rejected the COINTELPRO tactics of the past that led to scandalous revelations and congressional oversight. At the bureau's San Francisco office, agents said Held has repeatedly stressed they follow the bureau's policy of only investigating criminal acts, not political groups.

The Angry Logger Theory

Bari and Cherney have received dozens of death threats because of their leadership of the "Redwood Summer" anti-logging campaign. Some people believe their activism prompted an attack on the pair.

One letter to Bari signed the "Committee For the Death of Earth First!" threatened to "hunt down each and every (Earth First!) member."

An anonymous post card Bari received in April said, "We know everything. . . . You won't get a second warning."

Another letter from a group calling itself the "Stompers" warned Bari, Cherney and a third Earth First! activist, "If you want to be a martyr, we will be happy to oblige."

The theory that a logger or other Earth First! enemy planted the bomb is undermined, however, by the fact the bomb that exploded was inside Bari's car, according to bomb experts.

People planting bombs almost always place them under a car or under its hood to conceal them, experts said. The bomb in Bari's car was on the floorboard behind the driver's seat, sources said, where it could be seen by someone getting into the vehicle.

Also, police believe the bomb probably was placed in the car

while Bari was staying at a house in East Oakland the night before the bombing. People who were in the car with Bari when she was in Mendocino County the day before saw no explosive device.

That points away from logger involvement, investigators said, because a logger would be far more likely to plant the bomb in familiar territory in Mendocino County than on a strange street in East Oakland.

Logging company officials and loggers have adamantly denied any role in the attack.

The Lord's Avenger Theory

Within a week of the bombing, an anonymous letter was mailed claiming responsibility for the explosion. The letter writer said he was retaliating against Bari and Cherney for their pro-abortion and anti-logging protests.

The "Lord's Avenger" also took credit for a May 9 bomb attack at a Cloverdale lumber company office.

The credibility of the letter has been called into question, however, because of the writer's claim that he planted the bomb in Bari's car on the evening of May 22 while it was parked outside a restaurant in Willits. The writer also said he covered the bomb with a colored towel.

But when the bomb was supposedly planted, the car was parked under a street light, in front of a restaurant picture window and only 100 feet from the Willits police department.

Three people who later got into the car with Bari said they did not notice any bomb. One of them placed his feet on the floor where the bomb supposedly was located and felt nothing, and two of them saw the colored towel in the back storage area of the station wagon, not on the floorboard.

While his story of how the bomb was planted apparently is not true, investigators believe the "avenger" was somehow connected to the bombing. The letter he wrote included some detailed and accurate information about both the Cloverdale bomb and the Oakland device, including a description of the colored towel which was on the bomb when it exploded.

Some officials say they suspect the letter writer was an accomplice of Bari and Cherney and concocted the story about being the "Lord's Avenger" and planting the bomb to send investigators on a false trail.

But Cherney has said he thinks the letter is just a fake.

The Earth First! Terrorists Theory

Police have based their conclusion that Bari and Cherney were transporting the device largely on physical evidence recovered from the scene and what they say are the violent tendencies of Earth First!

Sources said lab tests show finishing nails taped to the bomb match nails that were found in a search of Bari's Mendocino County home last month. Both sets of nails have distinct manufacturer's markings on them, sources said, although the nails are in common use.

Earth First! supporters have retorted that Bari was a carpenter doing work on her home and frequently used all kinds of nails.

"It's like saying a pair of Nike running shoes was found in the car, and another pair of running

shoes made by Nike was found in Judi's house," attorneys for the Bari and Cherney said in a prepared statement this week.

Authorities also say that on the morning of the explosion, Bari packed her car and would have seen the bomb because she placed her guitar case in the back seat area near the device.

But Bari's friends have said her car is so cluttered with boxes and other items that she easily could have overlooked it.

Lawyers for Bari and Cherney said there was "no evidence linking Judi or Darryl to the bomb."

"Our belief is ... there is no case now and there never will be a case against these people," said Cherney's attorney, Douglas Horngrad.

Others in Earth First! said the police allegations were preposterous because Cherney and Bari were committed to non-violence. The pair, particularly Bari, convinced the Earth First! group in the Mendocino area to renounce the practice of spiking trees to prevent logging, arguing it posed a danger to lumber workers.

But critics of Earth First! have said there is other information that raises questions about the group's commitment, as well as that of Cherney and Bari, to non-violence.

Cherney has said while he is opposed to violence against people, he does not consider destruction of property to be violence.

"We do not condemn sabotage," he told The Tribune last month. "There are times when it is morally justifiable."

And Bari once posed for a photograph holding an Uzi machine gun although she and other Earth First! members say the picture was only a joke.

More recently, Earth First! members say, Bari and Cherney have been unequivocal in their insistence on non-violence during this year's "Redwood Summer" logging protests.

That they would be involved in a bombing makes no sense, Earth First! supporters said, because it would undermine the pacifism they have been advocating.

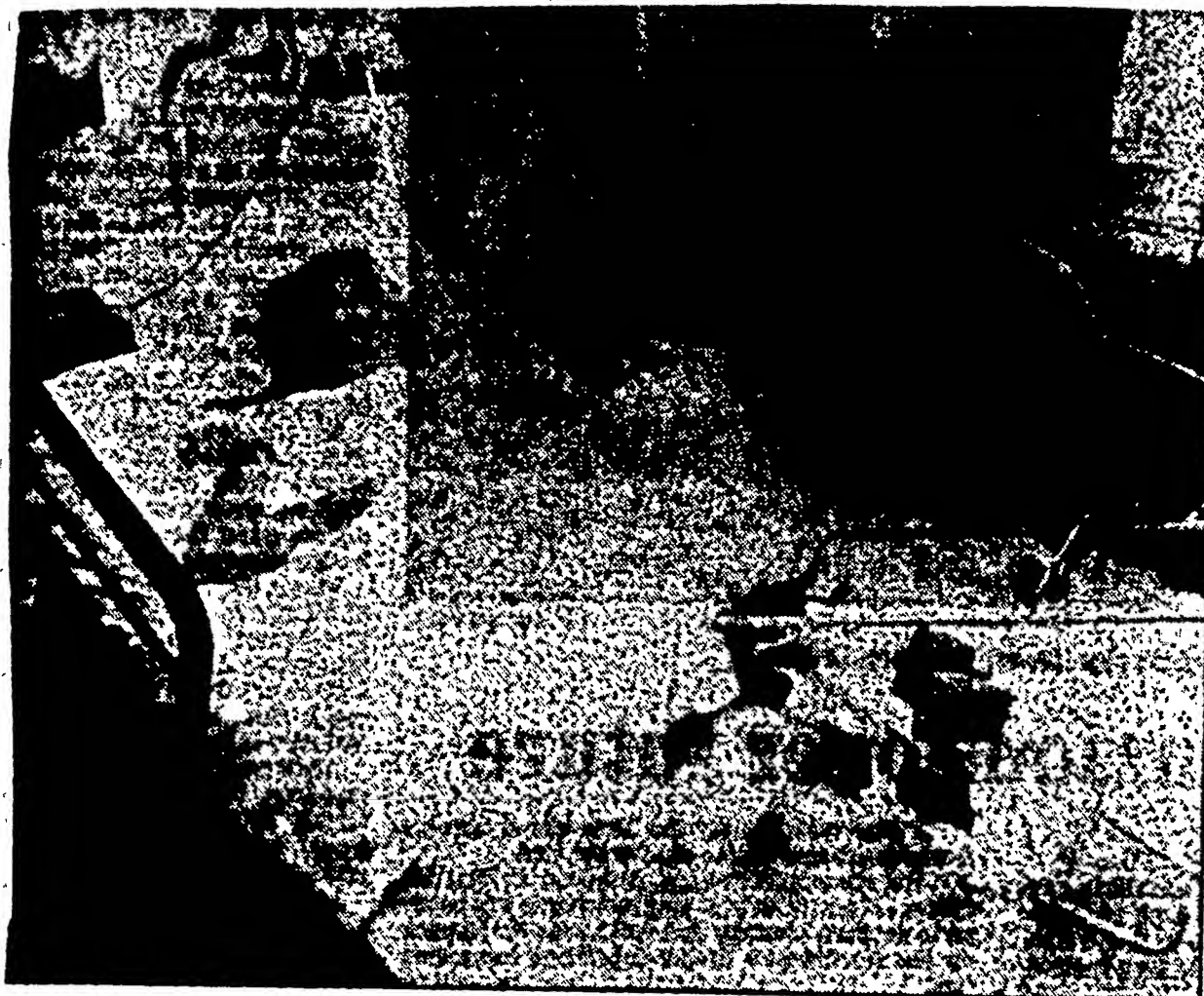
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Richard W. Held
Head FBI agent



David Foreman
Earth First! founder



The Associated Press
Earth First! activist Judi Bari is serenaded in Oakland hospital room by compatriot Darryl Cherney.



Police Chief George Hart
Denies conspiracy...



Darryl Cherney
Suspect in bombing

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BAY-AREA REPORT**NORTH BAY****Cited in Protest
At Lumber Company**

Mill Valley — Dressed as animals and tree stumps, nine members of a women's political group were arrested on trespassing charges yesterday after staging a sit-in at the offices of the Pacific Lumber Co. to protest clear-cutting of old-growth forests.

The 45-minute protest was staged at about 10:15 a.m. by members of Urban Earth Women. A representative said it was the first of several actions planned by the San Francisco-based group.

Mary Bullwinkel, spokeswoman for Pacific Lumber's headquarters in Scotia, denied that the company is clear-cutting any of its 11,000 acres of old-growth redwoods in Humboldt County or has any plans to do so.

The demonstrators were taken to the Marin County jail, where they were cited and released.

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9 protesters occupy lumber office

MILL VALLEY (AP) — Nine women dressed as trees, mushrooms, spiders and a banana slug were arrested for investigation of trespassing Monday after they briefly occupied the offices of Pacific Lumber Co., authorities said.

The women, who called themselves Urban Earth Women, demanded that Pacific Lumber halt the harvest of ancient redwood trees and said their protest was in conjunction with Redwood Summer protests coordinated by Earth First!

The women were arrested after Pacific Lumber employees called the Marin County sheriff's office, said Lt. John Brunsluk.

"It was peaceful," he said. "They came to make a statement, and they made their statement, which involved going to jail."

The women were taken to the county jail for booking, Brunsluk said.

A total of 13 women entered the building, which houses sales offices, but four left voluntarily and were not arrested, Brunsluk said.

Pacific Lumber spokeswoman Mary Bullwink said the women asked to speak to a salesman who was not in the office, and then refused to leave.

"As far as I know, they did not say what they wanted to talk to him about," she said.

Pacific Lumber has doubled its rate of harvest since being taken over by Maxxam Corp. in 1986, the protesters said in a news release.

Although Bullwink conceded that the company's total harvest has almost doubled since 1986, she said the rate of old growth harvest has increased by about 25 percent.

Protest participants also demanded an end to clear-cutting and to meet with Maxxam President Charles Hurwitz.

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Emily McFarland, dressed as a redwood tree stump, is arrested Monday by Marin County deputy

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Impassioned Look At Earth First!

Green Rage

By Christopher Manes

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Now that the spotted owl has been given federal protection, old-growth cutting in Northern California forests seems headed for a slowdown. But the bitter conflict between the timber industry and radical environmentalists that has been linked to the bombing of a car used by Earth First! members in Oakland on May 24 may soon get worse.

At least that's the prediction of Christopher Manes, a writer at the University of California at Berkeley whose "Green Rage" presents both a history of Earth First! and an impassioned plea to save the environment, tree by tree and owl by owl, at almost any cost.

To the obvious question about the May 24 bombing, Manes said in a recent interview, "We don't know who put the bomb in that car. It could have been some wacko. It could have been the FBI. It could have been the timber industry. But I'll tell you this: It wasn't (the victims) Judi Bari or Darryl Cherney. Earth First! just doesn't work that way. The whole point is to create a nonviolent mass movement that will take the destruction of ecology out of the hands of a few powerful people before the environment is irreversibly damaged."

Advocacy of Tree-Spiking

Hasn't Earth First! advocated the act of driving spikes into trees so that loggers using a chainsaw will get hurt?

The group has advocated tree-spiking, but not to hurt people," Manes says. "It doesn't even hurt trees to have trees because

tree-spiking is harmless to trees. We warn loggers, and the media: 'Here, we drove spikes through these trees to stop lumber industry workers from sawing them down. That makes the lumber industry have to spend money to find the spikes and remove them. And it gets the kind of headlines that brings wilderness questions out of the back rooms of private industry and government and puts them up for discussion in the light of day.'

Tree-spiking is an example of what Earth First! calls "ecotage," a method of harassing the timber industry by pulling up surveyors' markers, blocking lumber crews and burning bulldozers. How is that considered nonviolent?

"Ecotage means the destruction of property to prevent ecological harm," Manes says. "Its purpose is to stop or delay wilderness destruction directly and to grab American people by the lapel and say, 'Look, this old-growth area or that redwood forest can't wait for compromising groups like the Sierra Club or Wilderness Society to make deals with politicians and the forestry service.' We have to stop the destruction right now, and we all, millions of us throughout the world, have to agree on stopping it."

A Violent Rhetoric

Manes adds, "I think when we talk about violence, it's important to note that the timber industry bears responsibility for creating a rhetoric of violence against radical environmentalists. Timber industry spokespersons have publicly referred to Earth Firsters as Marxists and un-American traitors and have said they would shoot the yellow-cups down where they stand. The FBI, when arresting Earth First! co-founder Dave Foreman, used drawn guns and violent tactics that had all the marks of institutionalized terrorism."

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So ecotage is another form of civil disobedience?

"Absolutely. Our democracy has always moved forward by people willing to break bad laws. It's as American as apple pie. We look back 25 years now, and we can't believe there was a time black people couldn't go into a restaurant. We don't even ask about the ethics of breaking segregation laws. At the time, though, that's all you heard about — those black people breaking the law.

"In the context of radical environmentalism, the same arguments are coming up, but in 25 years people will look back and say, 'You mean they were cutting down the forests that keep us alive? Thank God there were people who stood up for their convictions and stopped it.'"



BY MICHAEL MAJONE/THE CHRONICLE
Christopher Manes wrote 'Green Rage' before two Earth First! workers were injured in a car-bomb explosion in Oakland in May

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Earth First Vows To Use Bodies To Shield Trees

By Ron Sonenshine

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A lumber company's plan to log 800 acres of virgin redwood trees drew a noisy protest in Santa Rosa yesterday as 75 Earth First members vowed to use their bodies to stop the chainsaws.

The placard-carrying demonstrators marched in front of the California Department of Forestry's regional office for several hours as officials inside considered two applications from the Pacific Lumber Co. to cut trees in a scenic 1,000-acre tract known as the Headwaters Forest, 15 miles south of Eureka. A decision is expected next month.

The grove is one of the last major stands of virgin California redwoods not protected by state and federal parkland regulations.

"They will have to cut through us first to get to these trees," said Tracy Katelman, one of the protesters. "There is no compromise."

The trees are part of the largest privately owned redwood grove in the world and a habitat for threatened animal species such as the northern spotted owl and marbled murrelet, said Raymond Jackson of the California Department of Forestry.

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Activists protest proposal to cut old-growth forest

Pacific Lumber Co. awaits

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decision on 600 acres

By Linda Goldston
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SANTA ROSA — Vowing to save the ancient trees at any cost, about 100 activists demonstrated outside the California Department of Forestry here Wednesday to protest proposals by Pacific Lumber Co. to log portions of the celebrated Headwaters Forest.

The protest coincided with the final day of public comment on two timber harvest plans for the 8,000-acre forest in Humboldt County, the largest stand of ancient redwoods still in private hands in the world.

A decision on whether Pacific Lumber can log 600 acres of the forest is expected on July 11.

Approval of the plans could ignite a major new round in an already tense timber war on the North Coast, where environmentalists have accused lumber companies of cutting as many old-growth trees as possible before Californians get a chance to vote on two timber reform initiatives on the November ballot.

One of them, the Forests Forever initiative, is specifically designed to save the Headwaters and other old-growth forests. And while Pacific Lumber had promised at a controversial secret meeting with North Coast legislators in February not to log trees in the Headwaters for two years, cutting could begin immediately if the plans are approved.

"One thing that is sure is that we're not going to allow the Headwaters to be cut," said Pam Davis of Earth First!, one of the organizers of the Redwood Summer protests.

tests under way throughout the North Coast.

"We have a lot of bodies and we're willing to put our bodies down if we have to. We'll do whatever it takes," Davis said.

The Headwaters Forest, which includes the headwaters of Salmon Creek and the Elk River, has become a symbol of the timber wars because of allegations that 1,000-year-old trees are being cut to pay off corporate debt.

Pacific Lumber does not dispute that. The formerly family-owned company was bought by Maxxam Inc., a Los Angeles-based conglomerate headed by Houston billionaire Charles Hurwitz, in 1986 and immediately doubled its logging to pay off \$750 million in junk bonds.

"Charles Hurwitz made \$7 million dollars last year," said activist Tracy Katelman, a graduate student in forestry and resource management at the University of California, Berkeley. "It takes 700 old-growth redwood trees just to maintain his salary."

After hoisting a huge banner that read "Save Headwaters Forest, the Last Redwood Wilderness" atop the state forestry department's regional office here, activists Wednesday established a small encampment on the lawn and a few of them vowed to stay there until the decision is announced.

"If a tree can stand in the forest for a thousand years, a person should be able to sit 10 days to save it," said Ron Green of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., who came to California to join the Redwood Summer protests.

CDF spokesmen acknowledged that proposed plans to harvest the

Headwaters Forest have elicited a record amount of comment from opponents.

"We may have a thousand letters in the ... files," said Ray Jackman, assistant chief of the regional CDF office. "On a controversial (timber harvest plan), we may have 10 to 15 letters. This is kind of an all-time high for comment."

Pacific Lumber submitted the timber harvest plans late last year. Approval was withheld in January after the state Department of Fish

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Pam Davis speaks to 100 demonstrators at forestry office in Santa Rosa

and Game expressed concerns about the marbled murrelet, a rare seabird, and other wildlife species that live in the old-growth habitat.

"There's been considerable work done to answer our questions about the concerns," Jackman said. "What we understand is that they (Pacific Lumber) don't necessarily intend to log pending approval of

the plan, but they want the approval prior to the (November) election and the initiatives."

Also on Wednesday, an initiative backed by the timber industry — its response to the environmentalists' "Big Green" initiative — qualified for the November ballot.

California Secretary of State March Fong Eu said the official

sponsor of the timber industry's initiative, George Craig of Oakland, turned in more than the necessary number of signatures.

Called "the New Forestry Initiative," it is being actively promoted by Californians for New Forestry, which has the backing of the Timber Association of California and timber businesses statewide.

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Earth First! raps tree harvest plan

By The Tribune staff and news services

SANTA ROSA — About 75 activists from the radical environmental group Earth First! rallied yesterday at state forestry offices here to protest a plan to harvest 600 acres of old-growth redwoods in Humboldt County.

The Pacific Lumber Co. has submitted two plans to harvest redwoods on land it owns within the 3,000-acre Headwaters Forest.

It is the largest privately owned stand of old redwoods in the world and a habitat for

The initiative calls for the state to raise money through bond sales to purchase the 3,000-acre stand from Pacific Lumber.

On Tuesday, Pacific Lumber President John Campbell said the company will not willingly sell the land.

Although the 3,000 acres is a small portion of the 200,000 acres of forest land the company owns in Humboldt County, he said it presents a substantial amount of timber.

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threatened animal species such as the northern spotted owl.

Yesterday's demonstration at the coast region headquarters of the California Department of Forestry came on the final day for the public to comment on the plans. A decision is expected by July 11.

Department spokesman Ray Jackman said Pacific Lumber's plans were submitted last October but have been delayed for the company to prepare a report on how endangered wildlife will be protected during the timber harvests.

Earth First! spokeswoman Pam Davis said the demonstration was prompted by "past indications that public comment is a legal formality that has no influence on environmental policy."

Davis charged that Pacific Lumber is pushing its harvest plan forward now to avoid restrictions that could go into effect if voters approve the "Forests Forever" timber practices initiative on the November ballot.

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Police swoop down again on Earth First! suspect's home

By Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune

Finishing nails, solder and glue that police suspect may be identical to components of a pipe bomb that injured Earth First! leaders Judi Bari and Darrin Cherney were seized this week in a second search of Bari's Mendocino County home.

Investigators also took blue towels similar to one authorities have said covered the bomb in the back seat area of Bari's car when it detonated May 24.

Attorneys for Bari and Cherney released a statement yesterday saying, "The search warrant directed a search for bomb components and turned up only the most common household items.

"As we have previously said

regarding any similarity between nails found on the bomb and nails seized from Judi's house, it is like saying, 'A pair of Nike running shoes were found in the car and another pair of Nikes were found at home.'"

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims said the warrant served Tuesday on Bari's home was "based on information received from FBI reports" on the bomb, but he declined further comment.

Another investigator said police were looking "for items consistent with things the FBI laboratory said had been used to manufacture" the bomb, which blew up as Bari and Cherney were driving in Oakland.

Items seized Tuesday included finishing nails with a distinctive manufacturer's mark, solder,

various types of glue, red marking pencils and part of a blue towel set. A bomb expert said solder and glue are often used in making homemade bombs and colored pens are used to mark safety switches.

All the items were sent to an FBI laboratory for analysis.

Bari and Cherney were arrested shortly after the May 24 explosion for investigation of possessing an explosive device. But prosecutors have postponed deciding whether to charge them pending further investigation.

Bari and Cherney have insisted they are committed to non-violence, were the victims of an assassination attempt, and have criticized police for not trying to find the assailants.

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Suspensions remain in Cloverdale lumber fire

CLOVERDALE — An accident probably caused a blaze that did \$300,000 damage to a lumber mill, fire officials said yesterday, but the exact cause of the blaze remains unknown.

The cause of the fire in a lumber storage shed at the Louisiana-Pacific Corp. mill just south of Cloverdale on Friday was "narrowed down" to an accident, said Cloverdale Fire Department spokesman Al Delsid.

However, the cause of the fire remained under investigation by mill officials, said a Louisiana-Pacific supervisor at the mill who refused to give his name. "There is some suspicion that someone could have gone in and touched it off," he said.

On May 10, a pipe bomb partially exploded at the Cloverdale mill. FBI investigators are still in the process of comparing the remains of that bomb to a pipe bomb that exploded in a car in Oakland, injuring two Earth First! activists inside.

By The Tribune news services

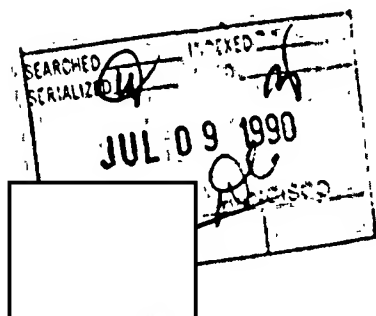
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Activist vows to persevere

By Linda Goldston
Mercury News Staff Writer

OAKLAND — Nearly six weeks after a bomb exploded in her car, Earth First! activist Judi Bari remains in traction and does not know when she will be able to walk again.

She also does not know whether she will be charged on July 18 — the next scheduled court date — in connection with the bombing. But she does know she will not stop her work as an environmental activist.

"I not only have to learn to walk, I also have to learn to sit," Bari said Monday during her first lengthy interview since the explosion that ripped through her Subaru station wagon near Oakland

High School on May 24.

"On the other hand, they blew up the wrong end of me. My brain is still basically intact."

Bari, who was named a suspect by Oakland police within minutes after the bombing, was adamant that she knew nothing about the device that exploded in her car. She said she thinks she was the victim of someone in the timber industry who "wanted to shut me up."

Bari, 40, was one of the principal organizers of Redwood Summer, a series of protests now under way on the North Coast, aimed at saving old-growth forests and slowing logging. She had received numerous death threats before the explosion. A logging truck rammed into the back of Bari's car last August while she was on the way to a rally, injuring her, her two daughters and four other people.

Bari and Earth First! activist Darryl Cherney had been in the Bay Area in May to drum up support for the protests and were on their way to give a talk at the University of California, Santa Cruz, when the bomb exploded.

"I have a 20-year history of non-violent organizing," Bari said. "To

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MENDING SLOWLY — Judi Bari remains in traction nearly six weeks after she was injured by a bomb in her car.

say that all of a sudden I'm a bomb-throwing terrorist is preposterous."

Oakland police and the FBI, however, continue to investigate Bari in connection with the bombing. They searched her Redwood Valley home in Mendocino County for the second time last week. But the Alameda County District Attorney's Office has twice postponed filing charges against her.

"The investigation is ongoing," FBI spokesman Duke Diedrich said Monday.

In addition to a partially paralyzed right leg — a condition that is expected to be permanent — Bari said she suffered four fractures to her pelvis, "an absolutely shattered sacrum and coccyx" and puncture wounds from being impaled on a spring in her car seat when the bomb exploded.

"They told me they were going to cut out my colon," she said. "I told them not to, to let me die

instead."

Bari faces three more weeks in traction before undergoing surgery to repair a large hole in her back.

For now, she is immobilized with her right leg elevated and has a 24-hour "security guard" provided by members of peace and environmental groups. Cards and posters taped on walls around the room reflect the many causes — and her growing support.

"They think they can get us by knocking off a few perceived leaders," she said. "We call it the terra-Hydra: Every time you lop off one head, three more pop back. The good part about this is that a number of really strong people have stepped forward in my place. That shows me that we really are a movement."

"I've received tons of mail, some from as far away as New Zealand. The tremendous outpouring of support is the only reason I've been able to go on."

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Nails in Car Bomb Linked to Victim

By Michael Taylor
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

The nails used in a pipe bomb that injured two radical environmentalists in their car six weeks ago came from the same batch as nails seized from the home of one of the victims, Oakland police said yesterday.

It was the first detailed description of evidence police may use against Earth First leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney on possible charges of transporting explosives.

Bari and Cherney have said since the bomb exploded on May 24 that they were attacked because of their widely publicized opposition to logging on the North Coast and their promotion of the Redwood Summer series of anti-logging protests.

Police also revealed yesterday that they believe it is probable the bombing was done by same person who wrote the "Lord's Avenger" letter claiming to have exploded the device as a way of punishing Bari because of her pro-abortion stance. FBI Laboratory experts were comparing the typeface on that letter with typed material taken from Bari's house.

Investigators did not make a specific link between the Lord's Avenger letter and Bari's possible complicity in the bombing, but in-

dicated that they were comparing the bizarre letter with "typing exemplars" seized from Bari's home.

When they raided Bari's house, police also took typewriter ribbons and keys from a typewriter and said later it was possible the letter might have been written by an accomplice of Bari. Bari was in an Oakland hospital at the time the letter was sent. The letter, mailed to the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat, was in an envelope bearing the "North Bay" postmark that ga-

stamped on letters mailed in an area from Sausalito to Eureka.

Police also determined that the crude explosive device was placed under the driver's seat, and noted "it would be less likely for them (the victims) to know it was there ...". Originally, police had said that the bomb was on the back floor, under Cherney's guitar case and that the couple knew it was there.

Alameda County prosecutors declined to say whether the results of the lab test of the nails means they charge the two environmentalists. The district attorney's office has delayed a decision on whether to prosecute pending the outcome of tests on the nails and other materials.

After Bari's white Subaru station wagon exploded near Oakland High School on May 24, Oakland police quickly focused their investigation on Bari and Cherney and within 24 hours had named them as suspects.

Bari was severely injured in the blast and is still in Highland Hospital, with injuries to her pelvis and hips. Cherney, who suffered minor injuries, was jailed and later released on \$100,000 bail.

FBI agents, carrying search warrants, later raided Bari's house near Ukiah and seized nails and other material. One week after the bombing, the self-described "Lord's avenger" wrote a rambling, angry letter to the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat, claiming responsibility for the bombing.

Oakland homicide Sergeant Mike Sitterud said yesterday that FBI experts are comparing the typed letters and other written matter removed from Bari's house with the Lord's Avenger letter. The letter writer claimed, also to have built a bomb that partially exploded at a Cloverdale lumber mill May 9.

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Police claim nails link car bomb to activists

By Paul Grabowicz
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The Tribune

Oakland police yesterday said laboratory tests show nails in a car bomb that injured two Earth First! activists and those found at one of the activist's homes came from the same small manufacturer's batch of fewer than 800 nails.

The announcement came shortly after supporters of the two activists — Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney — issued a press release saying Bari's injuries indicated the bomb was hidden under her car seat and not in plain view as police had contended in the past.

Oakland police conceded that further lab tests confirmed the bomb was concealed under the seat and did not partially protrude as previously believed.

But they said the new evidence concerning the finishing nails is the strongest indication yet that the bomb, which detonated May 24 in Oakland, was being transported and was not planted in the car by someone else.

Oakland police Sgt. Mike Sitterud said FBI laboratory tests on finishing nails taped to the bomb and other finishing nails seized in a search of Bari's home on May 25 had the same manufacturer's mark and machine markings on them. Only 200 to 300 of those nails were made with that machine, Sitterud said.

Bari remains hospitalized with injuries suffered in the explosion. Her attorney could not be reached for comment yesterday. Bari and Cherney have consistently

said they were the victims of an attack.

Cherney told The Tribune yesterday that the change in police statements about the location of the bomb casts doubt on their claims about the nails.

"The Oakland police arrested Judi and me based on the location of the bomb supposedly being in plain view," he said. "... They put Judi and me through holy hell based on erro-

neous information. Why should we believe anything they say at this point?"

The revelations about the nails and the location of the bomb are the latest in a series of disagreements between authorities and Earth First! supporters over the meaning of bits of evidence in the case.

Supporters of Bari and Cherney have said in the past that the nails are meaningless as evidence because they are so common.

Yesterday, Anna Marie Stenberg, a friend of Bari and a fellow activist in the Redwood Summer protests against logging companies, said in a prepared statement that earlier police comments that the bomb appeared to protrude from behind Bari's seat were "misinformation" designed "to justify a frame-up of Judi and Darryl."

Stenberg said the bomb couldn't have been behind the seat because she had "personally massaged Judi's body" at Highland Hospital and "the damage was focused on the parts of her body she was sitting on" and not her back.

Sitterud said initial statements about the device being behind the seat were based on preliminary tests and examination of the scene. Further investigation, however, indicates the bomb was completely under the seat and covered by a blue towel. "Originally we thought it was more exposed than what we now think," Sitterud said.

But police said what is most important is that the bomb was inside the car at all. A bomber attempting to blow up a car usually places the device under the car frame or on its engine

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block, not inside the vehicle, authorities said.

Police arrested Cherney and Bari within hours of the blast, but prosecutors have postponed making a decision on whether to charge them pending the results of further investigation.

Cherney and Bari have repeatedly said they were the targets of an assassination attempt, and their treatment as suspects is an effort to discredit the environmental movement.

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Nails in car bomb linked to home of Earth First activist

FBI also tests tape, solder, glue found at Judi Bari's house

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OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

OAKLAND — FBI laboratory tests show that nails on the bomb that hospitalized Earth First leader Judi Bari carry the same manufacturer's markings as nails found in her home near Ukiah, Oakland police investigators said Friday.

The nails come from a small batch of 200 to 800 finishing nails, said Sgt. Mike Sitterud. The FBI is also testing duct tape, solder, glue and a marking pen obtained in a search of Bari's home in Ukiah.

Results are expected by next Friday, the July 13 court date when Alameda County prosecutors said they would decide whether to charge Bari and her injured passenger, fellow activist Darrell Cherney.

Earth First supporters say Bari and Cherney were victims, not culprits, in the May 24 explosion. It wrecked her compact station wagon on Park Boulevard as they began a journey to Santa Cruz to organize support for the Redwoods summer campaign against logging interests.

An Earth First spokeswoman said Thursday on earlier FBI findings. She said Bari's injuries strongly suggest that the pipe bomb and its sheath of nails had been concealed under the driver's

seat and not, as the FBI had declared, behind it.

Bari and Cherney have claimed no knowledge of the bomb. Earth First leaders have said it must have been planted by opponents who had previously threatened Bari's life.

Sitterud said the match of the nails strongly supports the police theory that Bari and Cherney were knowingly transporting the bomb when it exploded accidentally.

"This is the most significant evidence yet," he said. "The nails found in her Redwood Valley house near Ukiah and the same nails found around the bomb, connect this bomb to her."

After first lab tests were completed early last week, Sitterud said a team of local authorities arrived with a second search warrant at Bari's home.

"We obtained additional evidence including solder, duct tape, glue and a marker pen of the same color used to mark the switching device on the bomb," Sitterud said.

He also said finishing nails in new window frames in Bari's house resemble those in the bomb.

Without identifying the manufacturer, Sitterud said, "We learned that the nails came from a small batch of from 200 to 800."

As for location of the bomb, Sitterud said it may have been placed "a little more under the seat than when the FBI first examined it."

He added, "That fact is no longer so important, what with the new evidence centered on the nails."

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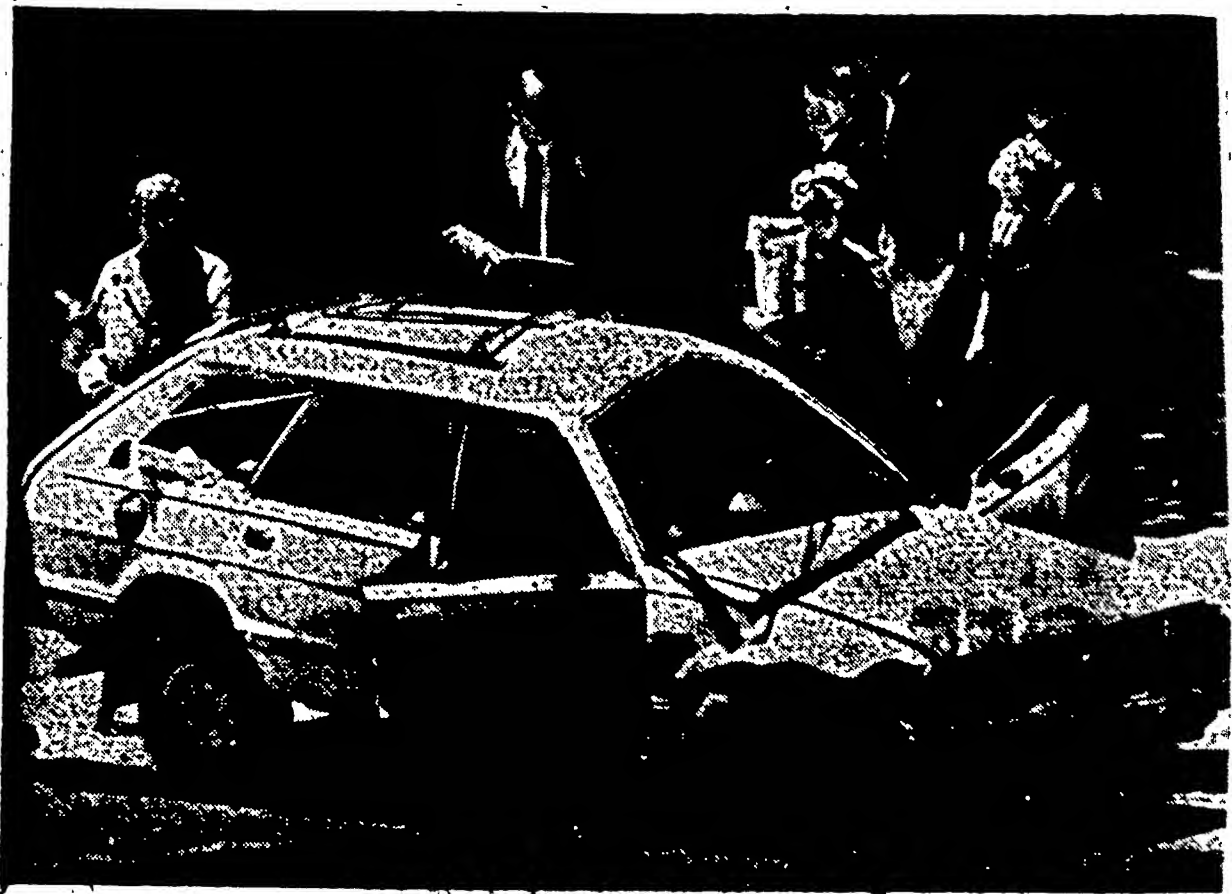
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This is the station wagon in which a bomb blast injured Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney.

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Activists, bombs linked, claims court records

By Harry Harris
and Paul Grabowicz
The Tribune

Laboratory tests show an Oakland car bomb that injured two Earth First! activists on May 24 and a pipe bomb that exploded at a Cloverdale lumber company office two weeks earlier are so similar they almost certainly were made by the same person, according to records filed in court yesterday.

And an anonymous letter writer using the name the "Lord's Avenger," who claimed he planted both bombs to get back at the activists for their environmental work, described the devices in such accurate detail that he was undoubtedly involved in both bombings, according to the records.

But police suspect the Avenger actually was an accomplice of the two Earth First! activists — Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney — and that his letter was typed and the bombs made at Bari's home, according to court documents. Authorities believe the letter was written to throw investigators off the track.

In a June 25 search of Bari's house near Ukiah, Oakland police and FBI agents seized a typewriter cartridge, ribbon, typewriter and writing samples to determine if they were used in writing the Avenger letter. They also took a vise, pipe wrench, drill bit, red marking pens and other items they suspect were used to make the bombs, according to the court documents.

Bari and Cherney have denied police contentions that they are responsible for the Cloverdale

bombing and that they were transporting the Oakland device when it accidentally exploded. They say they were targets of an assassination attempt, possibly by lumber officials angry over an Earth First! campaign to curtail logging of Northern California forests.

Their attorneys could not be reached last night for comment.

The documents filed in Oakland Municipal Court yesterday were in connection with the search warrant served at Bari's home. They included an affidavit by an Oakland police investigator, a copy of the Lord's Avenger letter, crime reports on the Cloverdale bombing and an FBI summary of lab tests on the pipe bombs.

The documents said tests on finishing nails used in the Oakland bomb and others found in an earlier search of Bari's home show they all came from the same manufacturer's "batch" of nails, numbering between 200 and 1,000.

Other items seized at Bari's house and now being tested to see if they match bomb components include glue, tape, yellow foam, pipe and aluminum tubing. Police also confiscated a "photo of Bari defacing a billboard" and a blue towel set that may match a towel that covered the Oakland bomb when it detonated, according to the documents.

Bari and her supporters have said the items seized by police are found in most households and thus are meaningless as evidence.

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Authorities have concluded the same person made both the Oakland bomb and the Cloverdale device because of numerous similarities between them. Batteries, pocket watches, drill holes, galvanized pipe, soldered wire connections and light switches and sockets were the same in both devices, according to the court documents.

The Lord's Avenger letter accurately described the bombs, including where holes were drilled in the pipe caps, the voltage of

the batteries, the light switches and sockets and the blue towel that covered the Oakland bomb, the documents said.

Prosecutors thus far have not filed any charges against Bari or Cherney, saying they are waiting for a complete laboratory analysis of the evidence seized.

Bari, who remains hospitalized at Oakland's Highland General Hospital for injuries sustained in the blast, and Cherney are scheduled to appear in court July 18 to learn if charges will be filed against them.

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State Agency Rejects Harvest Of Redwoods

By Bill Israel
Chronicle Correspondent

Environmentalists won a major victory yesterday when the state Department of Forestry refused to allow the Pacific Lumber Co. to log a portion of the Headwaters Forest, the world's largest privately owned stand of old-growth redwoods.

Pacific Lumber's timber harvesting plan was rejected because the Forestry Department felt that logging could endanger the habitat of a small bird called the marbled murrelet, which feeds at sea but nests in the tops of large, old redwood trees near the coast.

The decision to deny Pacific Lumber permission to log about 15 percent of the forest, which is 12 miles from the Humboldt County seat of Eureka, marked "a significant change" in the Forestry Department's attitude, said Deputy Director Ken Delfino.

He said his department felt obligated to make the decision based on biological grounds alone. Logging the area, he said, could produce "significant environmental effects that cannot be mitigated."

The decision delighted environmentalists, especially because the murrelet, unlike the spotted owl, is not listed by the state or the federal government as an endangered or threatened species.

"This is a true victory for the ancient redwood forests, for the Redwood Summer and other groups who have been working to protect Headwaters," said Brian Wyatt of Redwood Summer, a protest that has concentrated on old growth trees in general and the Headwaters forest in particular.

Pacific Lumber, which had agreed to spare the forest for two years in return for a moratorium on environmental lawsuits, was furious.

"We have been more than generous," said Robert Stephens, Pacific Lumber's forest manager, "and we have been pooped on."

C.J. Ralph, a U.S. Forest Service biologist, said the marbled murrelet has only three remaining habitats in California — near Ano Nuevo Point on the San Mateo County coast, at Jedediah Smith State Park and Redwood National Park in Del Norte County, and in the Headwaters Forest.

Ralph said if Pacific Lumber took out as much timber as it wanted, "it would take out the middle habitat of the marbled murrelet in California."

The bird is not only rare but lives only in the oldest forests. "If this species is as closely associated with old growth as we think it is, it makes the spotted owl look like a biological floozy," Ralph said.

The state Department of Forestry received 3,000 letters on the plan submitted by Pacific Lumber and took months to make a decision. The Headwaters Forest, said Delfino, "has become a symbol, both in California and nationally."

One reason is that Pacific Lumber, which was a family-owned concern until it was acquired by the Maxxam Corp. a few years ago, is a favorite target of environmentalists. They say the company is trying to log 1,500-year-old redwoods to pay off junk bonds.

Members of Earth First, an environmental group, camped outside the Forestry Department's Santa Rosa office for the last 10 days while the department considered the harvest plan.

The firm has 10 days to appeal to the State Board of Forestry.

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INJURED EARTH FIRST ACTIVIST BARI

LIVING IN FEAR

'People trying to kill me,' Bari says

By Carolyn Newbergh
and Marie Felde

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EARTH FIRST! ACTIVIST JUDI BARI said from her Oakland hospital bed yesterday that she is scared to return to her anti-logging activism and to her home in Mendocino County.

"I'm afraid to go back home. There are people there trying to kill me," said Bari, propped up on pillows and wearing a purple Earth First! T-shirt.

She is fearful of the timber interests and their power on the North Coast.

"It is open season on Earth First!" she said.

"I don't know when or in what role I'll return to activism," said Bari, 40, a labor leader and political activist since her early twenties.

Bari is recovering at Highland Hospital. Her leg and pelvis were badly mangled by a pipe bomb that exploded in her station wagon on May 24 while she and fellow activist Darryl Cherney were driving through Oakland.

Her right leg is partially paralyzed, but Bari said she hopes eventually to walk with the aid of a brace and cane.

"I will have to live with a reminder of this (bombing) all my life," she said.

Yesterday's interview was one of the first Bari has permitted since the bombing. She said she remains in constant pain and tires easily, but said it was time for her to speak for herself.

"It is hard to hear things said about me that are completely wrong," said Bari.

Bari and Cherney claim they were the victims of a planned attack, possibly by people opposed to their anti-logging activities. But police

have said from the day of the explosion that they suspected Bari and Cherney of transporting the bomb. No one has yet been charged.

Police said they are continuing to gather information to link the pair to the bomb. The most incriminating evidence so far, they say, is that nails used in the bomb match those found at Bari's home near Ukiah.

For the past six weeks, Bari has watched the press coverage and heard of the police charges from her hospital bed. She was eager to have a chance to respond. Bari spoke rapidly, and her lengthy responses to some questions carried the sound of a well-rehearsed, if sincere, script.

A small woman with a quick laugh, Bari also spoke with a force and liveliness remarkable for someone so badly injured.

As she has from the beginning, Bari yesterday insisted she was the victim.

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cent," she said.

On the advice of her attorney, she declined to respond to specific questions about the bombing and the police investigation.

She said, however, she has no doubt the bomb was planted in her car as part of a "frame-up."

She said she does not know who did it but said, "I should have seen this coming."

It was an obvious outcome of the political climate in Mendocino County where, she charged, police have done nothing while threats against environmentalists have grown.

Bari, whose Medi-Cal benefits will cover most of her hospital bills, said her recovery is progressing faster than doctors expected and she is likely to be moved from the county hospital to a rehabilitation hospital within a few weeks.

Still, she said, the pain and the fatigue are oppressive.

"A day doesn't go by that I don't spend some of my time crying," she said.

Equally as painful as her

physical injuries, she said, is the "psychological terror" she has suffered as a result of the bombing.

"I am permanently crippled — physically and psychologically."

She is hopeful of eventually returning to her home in Mendocino County, where her two daughters, ages 4 and 9, are now living with their father, her ex-husband. But she doesn't know when, if ever, she will feel safe enough to go back.

There are no phones in the rooms of the county hospital, but Bari has been kept apprised of events through a network of friends and supporters.

She is especially pleased with the progress of Redwood Summer, the series of North Coast protests she originated that are aimed at slowing logging.

"I've put my heart and soul in this . . . to be taken out of this is really difficult," she said, adding

however, "It is thrilling to see others rising to the occasion."

The walls of her hospital room are covered with cards and drawings sent by well-wishers. Gifts from well-wishers — a crystal, a feather and beads — hang from a traction bar.

She does not watch television. A red T-shirt is fixed over the screen with duct tape. A roll of the silver tape is kept at the foot of the bed.

"It's a joke," Bari explained with a laugh. Duct tape was used to assemble the bomb that blew up her car. Police said a roll of duct tape found in Cherney's van was part of the evidence linking the pair to the bombing.

Bari said she is often misunderstood, in part because of her wild sense of humor.

"If you don't have a sense of humor, you will never understand Earth First! It keeps you sane when fighting such a serious fight," she said.



— By Ron Riesterer/The Tribune

Earth First! member Judi Bari: 'I don't know when or in what role I'll return to activism.'

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Court Records Released in Bombing

Officer says Earth First explosive was built in victim's home

By Michael Taylor
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

The chief investigator probing the pipe bomb explosion that injured two radical environmentalists is convinced that the bomb was built at the Mendocino County home of one of the victims, according to court records.

The public disclosure of the allegation by Oakland police Sergeant Mike Sitterud comes less than a week after investigators revealed that nails found in the rubble of the May 24 explosion in Oakland are identical to nails found in the Redwood Valley home of Earth First leader Judi Bari.

In an affidavit, Sitterud said his investigation "leads me to believe that ... the bomb was fabricated on the property" shared by Bari and her former husband. The affidavit, filed in support of a police search at the Redwood Valley house June 26, was among court documents released this week in Oakland Municipal Court. The belief apparently was based on evidence, including the nails, found in an earlier police search of the home immediately after the bomb explosion.

Bari's attorney, Susan Jordan, disputed the allegations.

"The Oakland Police Depart-

ment decided early on, in fact, almost immediately, that Judi was a perpetrator, not a victim," Jordan said. "We still see no basis for this belief. Until they begin an investigation into who really did this ... they'll continue to believe it's Judi."

Bari Still Hospitalized

Bari and her traveling companion, fellow Earth First leader Darryl Cherney, were injured when a pipe bomb exploded in Bari's car as she drove near Oakland High School. Bari is still in Highland Hospital, recovering from a broken pelvis and other injuries. Cherney was treated for his wounds and released shortly after the blast.

Police suspect that Bari and Cherney were transporting explosives and are trying to persuade the Alameda County district attorney to file charges against them.

Earth First representatives and their attorneys have insisted that the bomb was placed by enemies of Bari and Cherney — both outspoken opponents of the logging practices of big timber companies.

The court documents include an uncensored version of the type-written letter sent by the "Lord's Avenger," who claimed that he built the bomb to punish Bari for her pro-abortion stance.

The rambling letter was sent to the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat a week after the bombing. The newspaper and the FBI refused to release portions that revealed how the bomb was put together.

In his letter, the Lord's Avenger said he built the bomb from galvanized pipe, black iron end caps, match-head igniters, epoxy glue, finishing nails, a 9-volt battery, a pocket watch, red and white wires and a mixture of chemicals.

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No Link to Bari

Although investigators believe that they have linked the bomb to Bari's property and the letter-writer to the bomb, they have not directly tied the bomb or the letter to Bari. Police have not identified the author of the letter or the builder of the bomb.

The new court records also disclose that some protest groups look upon Earth First with a certain suspicion.

In a separate affidavit, Sitterud said he interviewed Bari's friend, Shannon Marr, who was driving her car just ahead of Bari when the bomb exploded. Marr is a member of the Berkeley-based group called Seeds of Peace and met with Bari the night before the bombing.

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Cops blamed for leaks in May car bombing

Environmentalists say Oakland police attempt to influence opinion against Earth First people

By Jane Kay
EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

An alliance of environmental groups is blaming Oakland police for trying to sway public opinion with early release of information pertaining to the controversial Earth First car-bombing case.

The May 24 incident injured Earth First activists Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl Cherney, 33. Bari, who may suffer permanent disability, remains hospitalized.

Michael Clark, president of Friends of the Earth, sent a letter last week to Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, asking for an oversight investigation to ensure that the FBI and Oakland police have upheld the civil rights of the two victims who later became suspects.

"We're concerned whether or

not an adequate investigation was conducted before the police started blaming the Earth First victims for the bombing," Clark said Tuesday in Washington. "Our first concern is with the role of government to make sure the rights of citizens to speak out, even though their views are unpopular, are protected."

Clark has joined an alliance to support Earth First with Peter Bahouth, head of the U.S. arm of Greenpeace, David Brower, executive director of Earth Island Institute, and other national groups.

Oakland police Capt. James Hahn said Tuesday that he was unwilling to discuss the case until his department had presented evidence to the Alameda County district attorney's office.

"I'm not going to engage in polemics with people through the media ..." he said. "We've said we won't comment until the case is presented to the district attorney. The media has obtained its evidence from the papers filed in court. No one in this department has any authorization to release information to the media other than myself."

Bari and Cherney were arrested within hours of the bombing, then released days later. Neither has

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been charged.

Alameda County Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter, who is responsible for filing charges, has refused to speculate about the possible involvement until more lab tests are completed.

Oakland police have released details of the investigation, including the position of the bomb, which initially they said pointed to Earth First involvement. Last week, the police said the position of the bomb was no longer important, and the department shifted its attention to the bomb's components.

And, it was reported earlier this week that FBI lab tests have linked components of the bomb to nails found in Bari's home. The nails from the bomb "had identical tool marks of manufacture" as the nails at Bari's house, according to the FBI.

That information, however, came from an affidavit filed July 6 by Oakland police Sgt. Mike Sitterud in support of a June 26 search of Bari's Mendocino County house.

In it, Sitterud said he believed "the bomb was fabricated on the property resided on by Ms. Judi Bari." He based his opinion, in part, on results from an FBI lab test that showed nails used in the bomb were from the same batch found in Bari's house.

Sitterud, meanwhile, said investigators were awaiting the results of further tests on nails taken from around Bari's windows, as well as duct tape, towels and other items. Tests are expected to be completed by July 18.

From her bed at Highland Hospital, Bari said Tuesday that the only people who thought she could have made and transported bombs



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Judi Bari, wounded Earth First activist, calls music "best pain reliever."

were those who didn't know her.

"I really don't know who tried to kill me," she said. "I know who created the political atmosphere to let such a thing take place."

She blames the timber industry for circulating false press releases from Earth First advocating violence, on Ukiah and Mendocino County law enforcement for fanning tension and ignoring death threats, and on a radio station for launching a hate campaign.

Bari and others had the idea for activists to come to the North Coast for Redwood Summer, a series of protests against accelerated logging and the increasing assaults on demonstrators.

The bombing has galvanized support, and friends have guarded Bari's door round-the-clock for the last seven weeks.

"There's been this absolutely amazing outpouring from everyone who's known me or been associated

with my work in any way," Bari said. "The only people who doubt our innocence are people who don't know us or know our work."

Bari may not be able to walk again without the aid of a brace and a cane. Bari's right leg is essentially paralyzed after her pelvis was broken in four places.

"My body is definitely permanently damaged," she said. "I don't know the extent."

Her daughters, 9 and 4, come to the hospital once a week.

"When they come, we talk and cuddle, and they go home and cry," she said. "I hardly see them at all, only one day a week. That's the hardest part, not being able to raise my kids."

Bari will be released from Highland in two days for further treatment in Sonoma County.

Bari, who lives near Ukiah, said: "I'm afraid for my life. I'm afraid to return to my home."

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Earth Firsters face no charge

Oakland police, FBI continue probe of car bombing

By Andy Furillo and Jane Kay
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Alameda County District Attorney's office has decided against filing charges against the two Earth First members injured nearly two months ago when a bomb exploded in their car in Oakland.

"Based on the evidence we've been presented with up to this point, we are not filing criminal charges," Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter said Tuesday. "The investigation will continue and we'll see what that leads to."

He declined to discuss the evidence, or lack of it, or any other basis for his decision.

Carpenter also declined to say whether the Oakland Police Department, which investigated the case with help from the FBI, concurred in his decision.

Attorneys for the environmental activists, Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, viewed the decision as exoneration of their clients, who had been placed under arrest in the hours after the blast May 24 near Oakland High School.

"We view the district attorney's

action today not only as an indication but as a confirmation of (their) innocence," said a statement released by attorneys Douglas I. Horngrad, Susan B. Jordan and Richard Ingram. "We resent any implication that they are not totally innocent."

The attorneys said they are considering a lawsuit against the authorities for false arrest and violation of Cherney's and Bari's civil rights.

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims, who supervised the investigation, declined to comment on Carpenter's decision, but said the inquiry is continuing. "We haven't excluded anybody as suspects yet. We haven't ruled any possibility out."

An FBI spokeswoman said her agency will continue to help in the investigation.

Bari suffered a broken pelvis in the blast while Cherney sustained facial injuries. The two said they had received threats in the months before the explosion.

They were booked on suspicion of transporting an explosive device and related allegations, although they were never charged.

Cherney posted \$100,000 bail, which was exonerated Tuesday. Bari remains hospitalized with her injuries.

They were among the organizers of the ongoing Redwood Summer protest against cutting old-growth trees along California's northern coast.

Bari greeted the decision with joy and anger, accusing police and the FBI of engaging in "terrorism."

"I'm ecstatic..." she said. "But I'm really outraged what the FBI and the Oakland Police Department have been doing to me. It's terrorism, the same as the person who placed the bomb. ... Raiding my house repeatedly, terrorizing my family, house, this is not a normal police investigation. Their presumption of guilt, their total disregard of the Constitution of the U.S. shows that they're unfit to perform any investigative role."

On Monday, two California lawmakers had joined national envi-

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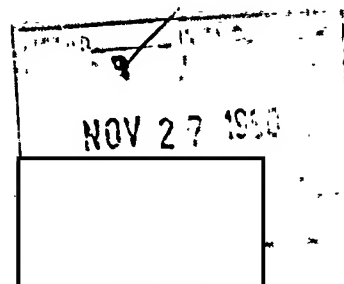
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ronmental leaders in calling for an investigation into the handling of the bombing probe.

Rep. Ron Dellums of Berkeley and Assemblyman Tom Bates of Oakland, both Democrats, asked the Senate and House Judiciary committees and the state attorney general's office to inquire into why the investigation had focused on Bari and Cherney.

Court documents show that police believed that nails contained in the pipe bomb were identical to some found in Bari's Mendocino County house, which police have searched twice.

Investigators had set, then postponed, several dates for deciding whether to file charges.

Representatives of 50 environmental, women's and civil liberty groups — including the Sierra Club, National Audubon Society, Greenpeace and the National Organization for Women — Monday asked for federal and state probes on whether the environmentalists' civil rights have been violated.

The groups said authorities "seemed to have prematurely ruled out or discounted the possibility that the bomb was planted by people wishing to kill the two key environmental leaders of Redwood Summer and thereby destroy the summer campaign."

The Alliance said Tuesday it would be "redoubling efforts to get an investigation."

Dellums, in his letter to Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, asked for a congressional "inquiry into ... the bureau's earlier involvement in monitoring/infiltrating this organization."

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Dellums joins call for bomb probe

By Michael Collier
The Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO — Members of environmental groups, along with U.S. Rep. Ron Dellums and Assemblyman Tom Bates, yesterday urged Congress and state officials to probe the Oakland police and FBI investigation of a car bombing that injured two Earth First activists.

Supporters of Earth First leaders Judy Bari and Darryl Cherney, which included peace and women's rights activists, accused authorities of failing to investigate whether opponents of the campaign to save ancient redwood forests are to blame for the May 24 explosion in Oakland.

Bari and Cherney, injured when a pipe bomb blew up on the floor of their car, are considered the prime suspects. The Alameda County District Attorney's office may decide at a court hearing tomorrow whether to press criminal charges against the pair.

More than 40 supporters of the Earth First leaders yesterday appealed to Rep. Don Edwards,

D-San Jose, two other congressmen and state Attorney General John Van de Kamp to "launch a full, independent investigation" of the incident.

Spokespeople for Van de Kamp and Edwards, who sits on the House Judiciary Committee, said the officials had not decided whether to take action on the request.

But a staff member for Edwards said the congressman's policy is to avoid involvement in pending investigations.

In a letter calling for the probe, the group said Oakland police and the FBI "prematurely ruled out or discounted the possibility that the bomb was planted by people wishing to kill" Bari and Cherney.

The pair received numerous "horrifying death threats" prior to the explosion, but authorities have done little to follow up on the threats, according to the letter.

Supporters of the activists also claimed that police and FBI agents violated Cherney's civil rights by denying him access to his attorney during questioning after the car bombing.

Backers added that authorities have not taken seriously a letter sent to a newspaper shortly after the bombing from a person who claimed to be upset by the environmental campaign and Bari's involvement in pro-choice rallies in Northern California.

The list of people joining the plea for an inquiry into police and FBI conduct in the case included environmentalist David Brower, National Organization for Women leader Molly Yard and Bay Area peace activist Brian Willson, whose legs were severed by a munitions train near Concord in 1987.

Similar requests were made by Dellums, D-Oakland, and Bates, D-Berkeley.

All of the complaints lodged against authorities yesterday have been made numerous times since May. Despite yesterday's full-scale attack, authorities stand behind their investigation.

"I have no problems with the quality of the investigation to date," said Oakland police Capt. Jim Hahn. "I am rather surprised that individuals who are not privy to it are making such allegations."

Authorities said they are investigating a half-dozen death threats against Bari and Cherney but have been hampered because the activists and their lawyers have declined to talk to them about the incidents.

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Douglas Horngrad, Cherney's attorney, yesterday reiterated that the activists were targets of the car bomb and had nothing to do with it.

Police searched Bari's home near Ukiah on June 28 and found finishing nails with markings identical to nails used in the Oakland pipe bomb and a device that exploded at a Cloverdale lumber company May 9, according to court records.

Laboratory tests are being done to determine whether glue, tape and pipe found at Bari's residence match components in the bombs.

Bari, who suffered a broken pelvis and other internal injuries in the blast, was discharged from Highland General Hospital in Oakland Thursday and reportedly sought rehabilitation in a private hospital.

Cherney received minor injuries and was not hospitalized.

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Coalition Wants U.S. Probe of Earth First Blast

Groups assail police, FBI,
urge congressional inquiry

By Jim Doyle
Chronicle Staff Writer

A coalition of environmental, civil liberties, peace, labor and women's groups yesterday called for a congressional investigation into the pipe bomb explosion that injured two Earth First leaders.

They were joined by Representative Ron Dellums, D-Oakland, and state Assemblyman Tom Bates, D-Berkeley, who issued statements criticizing the continuing investigations by the Oakland police and FBI into the May 24 bombing.

The coalition, including several mainstream environmental groups such as the Sierra Club and the National Audubon Society, signed letters urging the House and Senate judiciary committees and the state attorney general's office to open separate probes into the explosion.

According to court records, police suspect that Earth First leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were transporting explosives near Oakland High School when a pipe bomb detonated in Bari's car.

Lawyers for Bari and Cherney insist that the pair, who organized a summer campaign against the logging of California's old-growth redwoods, are committed to nonviolence.

They were arrested within hours of the blast but were subsequently released without being charged. Bari remains hospitalized with a pelvis fracture; Cherney was treated for wounds and released shortly after the blast.

At a news conference in San Francisco, coalition representatives complained that law enforcement agencies had failed to investigate several death threats against Bari and Cherney before the May 24 bombing.

They also accused the Oakland police and FBI of selectively leaking information to the press about the ongoing criminal investigation, conducting warrantless searches and refusing to allow Cherney to see his lawyer while being questioned for four hours by the FBI.

The FBI was unavailable for comment. The Oakland Police Department declined to comment.

Court papers disclosed last week that Oakland police detectives believe that nails found in the rubble of the explosion came from the same batch of nails found in the Redwood Valley home of Bari.

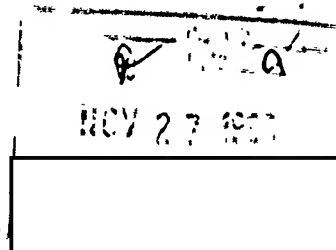
Also among the organizations calling for a congressional probe into the bombing were the American Civil Liberties Union, Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace USA, the National Lawyers Guild, the National Organization for Women and the National Wildlife Federation.

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D.A. drops charges in activists' bomb case

By Barry Witt
Mercury News Oakland Bureau

OAKLAND — Two environmental activists will not be charged with carrying the pipe bomb that injured them because the evidence is not "sufficient to secure convictions," an Alameda County prosecutor said Tuesday.

Oakland police officials said after the announcement that they have not ruled out Earth First! members Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney as suspects, but the activists' attorneys took the prosecutor's decision as confirmation of their clients' innocence.

The district attorney's decision marked a major setback for the Oakland Police Department, which arrested Bari, 40, and Cherney, 34, shortly after the bomb blew up Bari's car as they drove past Oakland High School on May 24. Bari was seriously injured and remains hospitalized. Cherney has recovered from cuts that he suffered.

The activists, their attorneys and numerous supporters charged that police botched the high-profile case by focusing on the victims as suspects rather than looking for someone who was out to stop their

protests against logging of redwood trees in Northern California. Assistant District Attorney Christopher Carpenter refused to discuss the evidence in the case but said the investigation is continuing. "We're not charging them based on the evidence that we have at this time," Carpenter said.

From her hospital room, Bari said she was ecstatic over the prosecutor's decision. She lashed out at investigators' conduct:

"I think the Oakland police are terrorists, the same as the people who placed the bomb," Bari said.

"They've made no attempt whatsoever to try to find out who did this. Instead, they've been orchestrating a smear campaign in the media."

Cherney's attorney, Douglas Horngrad, said police focused on the pair solely because of their political activism.

"They decided that was the direction their investigation would take, and now they see that it's taken them nowhere," Horngrad said. "Seven weeks after the bomb went off, certainly the authorities are no closer to apprehending the

"I think the Oakland police are terrorists, the same as the people who placed the bomb."

— Judi Bari

dangerous individuals who tried to kill these people."

Police have said previously in court documents that they believed the bomb was made in Bari's Redwood Valley home because nails found attached to the bomb matched nails found on her property and came from a batch of no more than 1,000 nails. The FBI's crime lab in Washington conducted tests on the nails. The FBI refused to discuss the results Tuesday.

Police Lt. Mike Sims of Oakland refused to discuss his investigators' findings Tuesday but said the in-

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Investigation would continue "where it takes us."

"We haven't ruled anybody out as suspects," Sims said. "We're seeking the people who constructed and possessed the device. If it leads to them (Bari and Cherney), fine; if it doesn't, that's fine, too."

Sims responded to charges that police refused to look at other possibilities by saying the Earth First! members and their supporters have refused to cooperate.

"They've refused to talk to us," Sims said.

Police Capt. Jim Hahn of Oakland said the activists' attorneys, who are trying to conduct their own investigation, will not get access to evidence because the police work is not complete.

Bari said of the police, "There's no way they can ever repay to me the damage they've done, to my reputation, the movement's reputation or the psychological terror they've put me through while I was trying to recover from horrible physical pain and terror."

Mercury News Staff Writer Linda Goldston contributed to this report.



RECOVERING — Activist Judi Bari is shown being tended by Darryl Cherney, who was a month ago in her hospital bed in Oakland, also wounded by bomb blast. *Santa Rosa Free Democrat*

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D.A. Won't File Charges In Bombing of Earth Firsters

By Martin Halstuk
Chronicle East Bay Bureau

The Alameda County district attorney's office said yesterday that it will not file criminal charges against two Earth First leaders who were injured by a bomb that Oakland police suspected belonged to the anti-logging environmentalists.

"Based on the information presented, we will not file charges," Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter said. "The evidence ... is insufficient to secure a conviction."

The decision not to prosecute Judi Bari, 40, and Darryl

Cherney, 33, ended almost two months of speculation that the leaders of the radical environmental group might be charged with transporting explosives. A pipe bomb exploded in Bari's car May 24 while Bari and Cherney were driving in Oakland.

"I feel totally vindicated," an elated Bari said. "This takes a big weight off my shoulders."

Bari was severely injured during the blast and was released from Oakland's Highland hospital only last Thursday. Cherney suffered an eye injury. He was treated and released the day of the explosion.

Attorneys for Bari and Cherney said in a written statement that the prosecutors' decision is "a confirmation of (the environmentalists') innocence." The statement also denounced the Oakland Police Department as having "conducted an unprecedented and outrageous smear campaign in an attempt to discredit Earth First."

The FBI's San Francisco bureau chief, Richard Held, said his agents will continue their investigation "to determine who was responsible for the placing of the

explosive device in the vehicle." Held asked that anyone who knows something about the bombing contact the FBI.

The announcement by prosecutors came one day after a coalition of environmental, civil liberties, peace, labor and women's groups criticized the Oakland police and FBI probe and called for independent investigations of the explosion.

Bari and Cherney were arrested immediately after the blast. Bari was put under guard at the hospital. Cherney was briefly jailed, but posted \$100,000 bail.

A hearing on the case, scheduled for 9 a.m. today in Oakland Municipal Court, has been canceled, but Earth First attorneys said they will hold a press conference at that time. Attorney Richard Ingram said he and his colleagues are considering suing the city of Oakland over the arrests.

Bari and Cherney insisted that they were innocent victims of an attack by pro-logging militants, but Oakland police and the FBI conducted their investigation on the theory that the device may have belonged to the environmentalists.

Police affidavits on file in Oakland Municipal Court said nails used in the bomb matched nails taken from a box at Bari's home in Redwood Valley, Mendocino County, where police believe the bomb was made. Investigators did not, however, specifically accuse Bari or Cherney of making the bomb.

When asked about the possibility that somebody came onto her property and made a bomb there, or stole the bomb-making materials and made it elsewhere, Bari told a reporter yesterday that many people had access to her house and she rarely locked her doors.

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Bari also said she believes the bomb was planted in her car in Willits, Mendocino County, or in Oakland. She said she knows nothing about making bombs or how to use firearms.

"After the bombing, several people offered me firearms and I just flat out refused," she said. "The only thing I've killed are potato bugs, and I pick them up with a dust pan."

According to court records, police also were convinced that whoever built the bomb that exploded

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in Bari's car also made a bomb that partially exploded at a Cloverdale lumber mill on May 9.

In court documents, investigators said both bombs apparently were made by the "Lord's Avenger," an anonymous letter-writer who sent a typewritten message to the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat and claimed responsibility for the bombings. Investigators said they could not make a link between the letter-writer and Bari.

Despite prosecutors' decision not to file charges against Bari and Cherney, police will continue to investigate the explosion, said Oakland Homicide Lieutenant Mike Sims.

"No one has been cleared and we haven't excluded anyone," Sims said. "We'll continue to follow the leads and look at evidence to see where it takes us."

Bari contends that Oakland police spent all their time investigating her and "not the real assassin."

Dressed in a green Earth First T-shirt, Bari said that since the bombing, she has had no feeling in her right leg and many of her bones are "out of whack."

Bari, who is staying north of San Francisco at a location that she has asked not be disclosed, said her doctors told her she has circulation problems in her right leg and she may never regain full use of the limb.

The veteran protester — she is also a union organizer and abortion rights advocate — said she is undergoing physical therapy. She is still bedridden and says she may be able to walk with a cane or a brace in about a year.

Chronicle correspondent Ron Sonenshine contributed to this report.



BY CHRIS STEWART/THE CHRONICLE

Earth First leader Judi Bari, who is recuperating from a May bomb blast, took a phone call from bed yesterday

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Where's the I?

You may have noticed that the radical environmental group Earth First! is now Earth First. Both The Examiner and the Chronicle performed exclamation-pointectomies shortly after two members of the group were injured by a car bomb in Oakland.

When authorities alleged that the injured pair might have been transporting the bomb in their car, Earth First! changed from a group with a statement built into its name to a serious news locus.

This is what happens when idiosyncratic typography meets controversy. The San Francisco lawyer E. Robert Wallach was for years referred to in the local press, at his request, as e. robert wallach. But when he became embroiled in the Reagan-era Wedtech scandal, he was forced to grow up and take the consequences, along with capital letters.

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Cops may face suit in Earth First case

By Andy Furillo
and Don Martinez
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

OAKLAND — Attorneys for Earth First leader Judy Bari, who was crippled by a car bomb and then arrested as a suspect, said Wednesday that she and fellow activist Darryl Cherney may sue Oakland police for blaming the victims.

As about 40 supporters posed behind empty picture frames with placards that said "framed," lawyers Susan Jordan and Richard Ingram said Bari and Cherney are relieved that Alameda County prosecutors announced Tuesday that a 54-day police and FBI investigation failed to turn up enough evidence to warrant criminal charges.

Jordan said Bari has left Highland Hospital for an undisclosed rehabilitation facility and may never walk normally again because of injuries she suffered in the blast.

A supporter delivered a statement from Bari that said, in part:

"It is hard to imagine the horror I have been going through, the sheer terror of being car-bombed, living in constant pain, and facing the reality of being crippled for life.

"To have added to that the prospect of going to jail for a crime I didn't commit and in fact was the victim of, was a burden I should not have been made to bear. I consider the police actions to be terrorism, the same as the bombers."

Jordan said, "If this bomber is not caught, no one who speaks out against the destruction of the environment will be safe."

Cherney echoed Jordan's remarks: "How can we be relieved when there's a killer on the loose?"

Ingram said he is considering suing Oakland police for false arrest, false imprisonment and violation of civil liberties. He said he will demand that investigators turn over their evidence.

Police and prosecutors said the investigation will continue.

Oakland police Capt. Jim Hahn, head of the department's criminal investigations division, said Wednesday, "The investigation is continuing and no one has been eliminated from or added to the list of possible suspects."

Queried about Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter's announcement Tuesday that based on evidence uncovered so far, no charges would be filed, Hahn said: "There's a lot of difference between saying there isn't enough evidence to convict and saying the investigation is concluded."

Hahn also said no evidence would be given to Bari and Cherney or their lawyers.

"These people are not law enforcement authorities and the evidence will remain confidential until the investigation is concluded. ... The investigation will be concluded when somebody is arrested in connection with this case or the statute of limitations has expired."

So far the inquiry has included police searches of the activists' homes, the search of an Earth First support group in Berkeley, a battery of FBI tests and a number of interviews.

Bari and Cherney, organizers of the Redwood Summer protests now under way against old-growth logging on the North Coast, were booked within hours of the May 24 blast on suspicion of transporting an explosive device and related charges.

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Months of death threats

They said they had been subject to death threats for months before the explosion and that police had discounted the possibility that the blast was an attempt on their lives.

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims, who supervised the investigation, said Tuesday that investigators have not discounted the possibility that somebody tried to kill Bari and Cherney. The FBI also is continuing its probe, a spokeswoman said.

Sims said Earth First activists have refused to cooperate with authorities looking into the alleged death threats.

"That's why I really wonder about their sincerity and their desire for us to investigate that side, if they're not offering any information," Sims said.

In court documents, investigators have said they found a sack of finishing nails in Bari's car and in her residence that matched those used in the bomb.

But the Tribune newspaper in Oakland on Wednesday quoted law enforcement sources as saying lab analysis failed to link any of the evidence seized in the case with Bari or Cherney. An analysis concluded that the finishing nails were so common that they were meaningless as evidence.



EXAMINER/KATY RADDATZ

Judy Bari, victim of a car bomb, calls police action "terrorism."



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Darryl Cherney will continue effort to save old-growth forests.



By Reginald Poorman/The Tribune
Founding member James McGuinness, 31, says he grew up in Brooklyn 'watching the Vietnam War come into my living room.'

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Earth First pair won't be charged

By Carolyn Newbergh,
Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

Alameda County prosecutors yesterday declined to press charges against two Earth First activists injured in a May 24 Oakland car bomb explosion, saying there is a lack of evidence against the pair.

Assistant District Attorney Chris Carpenter said although there wasn't enough information to "ensure" a conviction against Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, "We haven't eliminated anyone" as a suspect in the continuing investigation.

The announcement brought a mixed reaction from the two Earth First leaders injured in the bomb blast outside Oakland High School.

"Our happiness with the DA's decision not to prosecute is tempered by the frightening fact that there's still a mad bomber on the loose who targeted environmentalists," Cherney said.

"I'm ecstatic they're not charging us. This certainly vindicates us, but I'm appalled at the behavior of the Oakland police," said Bari, who is recuperating from a shattered pelvis and a partially paralyzed leg at an undisclosed facility under an assumed name.

"I will be crippled for life," she said yesterday.

Lawyers for the pair issued a statement saying they "resent any implication that they are not totally innocent."

The activists and their attorneys sharply rebuked Oakland police and the FBI for their handling of the case.

"The Oakland Police Department has conducted an unprecedented and outrageous smear campaign in an attempt to discredit Earth First and Redwood Summer," the attorneys said. Redwood Summer is Earth First's campaign against the clear-cutting of ancient redwood forests in the North Coast by the timber industry.

The lawyers said police have wasted seven weeks on their investigation of the bombing of Bari's car outside Oakland High School only to come up empty handed. They said they are considering filing suit for false arrest and violations of Cherney's and Bari's civil rights.

"It stinks," Betty Ball, coordinator of the Mendocino Environmental Center, said of the police probe. "It's been one preposterous thing after another. It's an obvious smear campaign."

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims, who headed the probe, said, "We developed a lot of information, talked to a lot of people. What a lot of people lost sight of was that there was another bombing in this case involving a lumber yard."

"We would have been remiss if we had not followed the course we have taken."

Sims was referring to an explosive device found at a Cloverdale lumber office that had components similar to those used in the Oakland bomb. An anonymous letter writer calling himself the "Lord's Avenger" has taken credit for both bombings and provided accurate details of both devices.

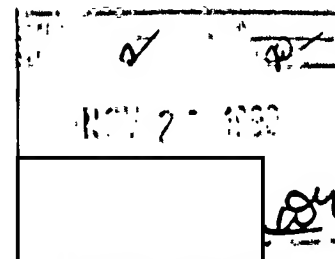
Police suspect Bari and Cherney were transporting the bomb when it accidentally exploded, and the Lord's Avenger was ac-

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tually connected to Earth First. Environmental activists, however, have said the avenger may be a right-wing extremist who was out to get Bari and Cherney and discredit their movement.

Sims denied that Oakland police engaged in a smear campaign, and asserted that much of the information printed in the media was obtained from court records, not police investigators.

News of the continuing probe into the bombing met with varied responses.

"If the police could get the person who did this, it would make me feel better about (Judi's) chances of being let alone afterwards," said Bari's mother Ruth.

But most Earth Firsters were skeptical yesterday that the Oakland police will find the culprit. A coalition of environmental, civil liberties, peace and other groups renewed their demand for an investigation by Congress and the state Attorney General's Office into the way Oakland police and the FBI pursued the case.

Both Bari and Cherney charge that police did not check into the daily death threats they say Bari received in the month before the attack.

Sims said efforts to talk to people about the threats "have been thwarted by the fact that people refuse to talk to us."

Earth Firsters said they believe someone associated with the heated battle over clear-cutting of the redwood forests is probably responsible for the bombing. They say Bari was targeted because she is not just an environmentalist but also a non-violent labor organizer.

"There's more clues on this case than you can load onto a logging truck but every clue leads to supporters of the timber industry," Cherney said.

"Without a doubt the timber industry established a climate of hate and fear that provoked someone to bomb Judi Bari's car," he said.

Lab tests fail to link bomb with items at Bari's home

By Paul Grabowicz
and Harry Harris
The Tribune

The decision by authorities not to file charges against Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney came after laboratory tests failed to connect bomb components with items at Bari's home, sources said.

Analysis also revealed that finishing nails found at her home that were the same as others taped to the car bomb may have been so common that they were meaningless as evidence, sources said.

Bari, Cherney and their attorneys have maintained all along that the pair are innocent and police had no case against them.

"The Oakland Police Department has never had any evidence against either of them," the attorneys said, and investigated them "solely because they are political activists."

Police Lt. Mike Sims, who heads the police probe, responded, "Their assertion is wrong . . . Any actions we took were based on the best evidence and expert opinion we had at the time."

Police originally arrested Bari and Cherney in part because an examination of their car indicated the bomb device was protruding out from under her seat and should have been seen by her. But later tests indicated the bomb probably was hidden from view, police said.

Similarly, investigators found nails in Bari's car that they originally believed were the same as those used in the bomb, according to court records. But FBI lab tests discounted that theory too, sources said.

When police later searched Bari's home, they took away more nails and other items that resembled bomb components, according to court records. They also took tools they suspected were used to make the device.

But sources said lab tests found no link between the items or tools and the bomb.

The only components that did match were some of the nails that could be traced to a particular manufacturer, according to court records. An FBI analysis indicated the nails were made on the same machine and probably within a batch of less than a thousand nails.

But sources said the machine could have produced a batch of nearly identical nails as large as several hundred thousand, meaning that Bari and the bomb maker could have coincidentally purchased the nails from the same large batch

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10 Environmentalists

Arrested Redwood Summer event in Mendocino

Ten environmentalists were arrested in Mendocino County yesterday after blocking loggers from cutting old-growth trees on land owned by the Louisiana-Pacific Corp.

The Redwood Summer protesters, accusing the company of concealing the presence of virgin redwood and Douglas fir on the property near Navarro, said they were trying to stall the logging long enough to get a court order stopping it.

"This is what Redwood Summer is about — direct action in defense of these redwoods," said Anna Marie Stenberg, a Redwood Summer spokeswoman.

Chris Rowney, Louisiana-Pacific's chief forester in Mendocino, said the state Department of Forestry was aware of the five-acre old-growth stand when it approved the 110-acre logging plan last year. Rowney said he does not know when the logging will resume.

Lieutenant Jay Miller of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Department said that 20 to 30 protesters occupied the logging site early in the morning and that most refused to leave when the loggers arrived. Four were arrested and released, and six others were booked into county jail on suspicion of trespassing.

In Oakland, meanwhile, supporters of Earth First held a press conference and demonstration. They hailed Tuesday's announcement by the Alameda County dis-

trict attorney's office that there is not enough evidence to file charges against Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, two Redwood Summer organizers injured by a car bomb in May.

Attorneys for the two demanded that authorities apologize for treating their clients as suspects, instead of victims, and again called for an independent investigation of the bombing.

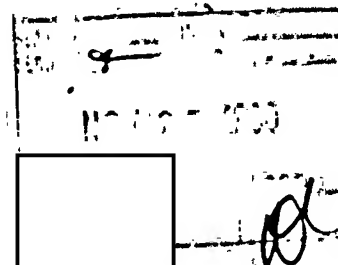
Attorney Douglas Horngrad said, however, that death threats received by Bari and Cherney before the bombing will not be turned over to investigators until the authorities demonstrate "good faith" by releasing whatever evidence they have gathered so far.

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In Oakland, Darryl Cherney whispered to a woman identified as Ophidia as she and other supporters used picture frames to indicate that police are framing Cherney and Judi Bari.

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Earth First! activists voice distrust of cops

By Barry Witt
Mercury News Oakland Bureau

OAKLAND — A day after prosecutors said investigators lacked enough evidence to charge two Earth First! activists with carrying the bomb that injured them, police and the activists were at loggerheads Wednesday over what to do next.

The activists and their attorneys said they can't trust Oakland police to conduct a competent investigation after nearly two months of statements implicating Darryl Cherney and Judi Bari in the May 24 blast.

Police officials responded that, if the activists wanted to help identify the true culprits, they would cooperate with a further investigation.

Alameda County's district attorney refused Tuesday to press charges against Bari, 40, and Cherney, 34, saying police hadn't come up with enough evidence to secure a conviction. Although Bari and Cherney took the decision as an exoneration, police said the pair haven't been cleared.

At a news conference Wednesday morning, Cherney and others put mock picture frames over their faces to indicate that they had been framed.

Bari's attorney, Susan B. Jordan, lashed out at police for reaching conclusions about her client's guilt without evidence and for refusing

to clear the pair.

"They could say it's over today," Jordan said. "If they were a professional, competent, honest organization, that's what they would do."

Cherney's attorney, Douglas Horngrad, said he is considering turning over evidence the police want, including the originals of death threats that his client received before the bomb blast. But Horngrad said he needs a sign of good faith from the police — access to evidence that the police have compiled — before he will cooperate.

Oakland police are "saying 'trust us,' and right now, they haven't given us any reason to do so," Horngrad said.

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims said police will not open up their investigation to the activists and rejected the accusation that investigators haven't operated honestly.

"When they say they want an act of good faith, I don't think it's necessary, because we haven't done anything wrong," Sims said. "We're still open to any evidence that says anybody else did it."

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Picture a protest



Declaring that Earth First! activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were framed in the car explosion that injured them in May, sup-

porters held up mock picture frames Wednesday at a news conference in Oakland. The two environmentalists were not charged in

the explosion but are still at odds with police over whether to cooperate with the investigation.

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EARTH FIRST HITS BACK

*Police, FBI
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By Harry Harris
The Tribune

STILL ANGRY that they were suspects in a car bombing that injured them, Earth First leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney stepped up their criticism yesterday of Oakland police and the FBI.

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office decided Tuesday that no charges would be filed against the two in the May 24 explosion in front of Oakland High School, because there was not enough evidence to "ensure" a conviction against them.

Both Bari and Cherney were arrested by police within hours of the blast for possessing and transporting a bomb.

But the anti-logging activists and their supporters have steadfastly maintained they were the targets of an assassin, probably tied to the timber industry.

Both the district attorney and police have said no one has been eliminated as a suspect in the continuing investigation.

Police said investigators acted professionally, within the law and with justification in all facets of the

probe.

In a written statement released yesterday at a press conference outside Oakland Municipal Court, Bari described the pain and suffering she has had to endure, and the horrifying prospect of going to jail for a crime "I didn't commit and that I was in fact the victim of."

"I consider the police's actions to be terrorism, the same as the bomber's," she said.

"They based their case against me on lies and innuendos. They have slandered me in the press with selective leaks of so-called evidence. They have presumed me guilty and let my attackers run free."

The gist of Bari's letter was echoed by Cherney and about three dozen supporters representing environmental and other groups which are demanding a congressional investigation of the bombing and police and FBI behavior.

"If we allow this to continue, no political activist will be safe," Bari said in her letter.

Many supporters at the press conference carried banners and posters criticizing authorities. One sign read "Federal Bureau

of Incrimination." Another was a make-shift picture frame with the words "FBI" and "framed" on it.

Richard Ingram, an attorney representing the pair, said they are considering suing the police

and FBI for civil rights violations and false arrest. He demanded the return of all items authorities seized from Bari and Cherney as well as other evidence "so we can begin our own investigation."

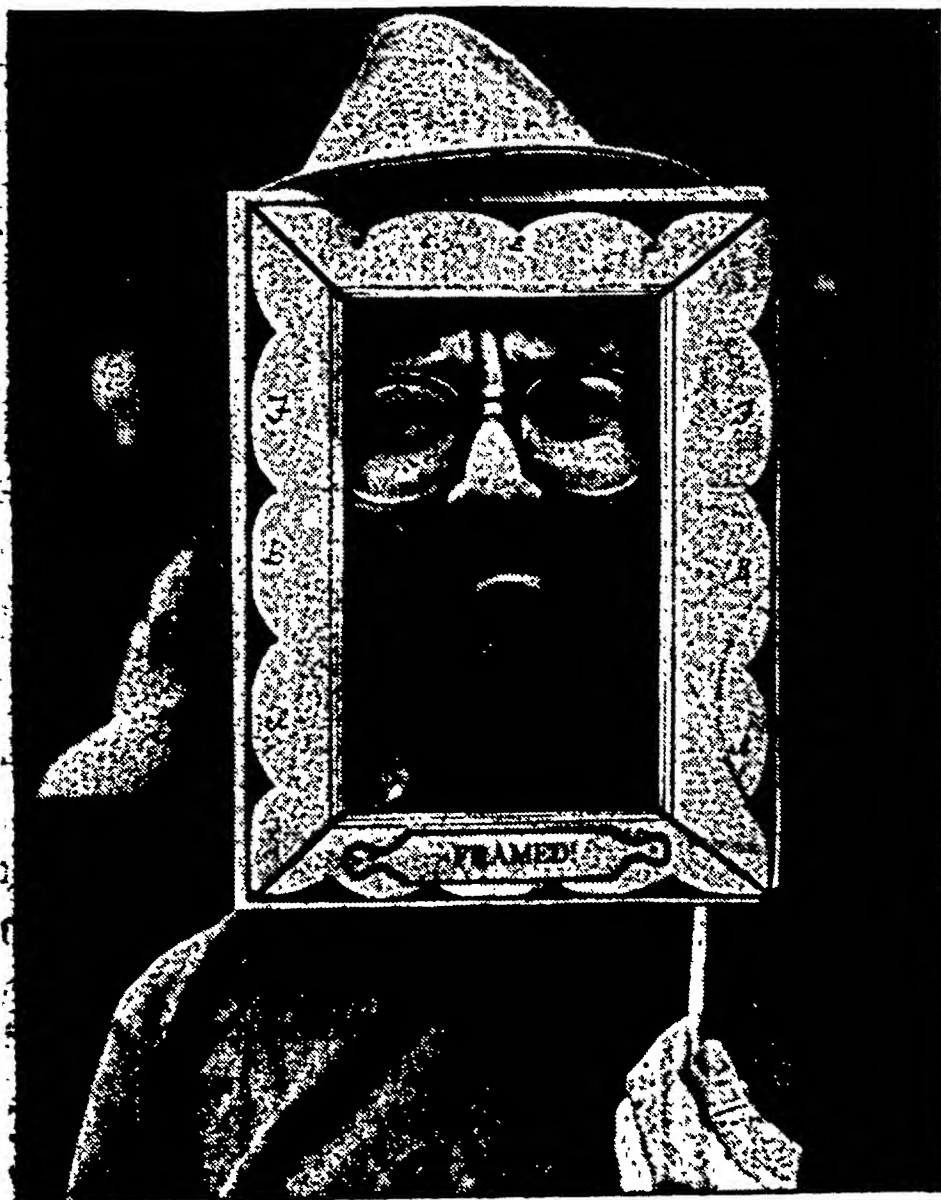
Ingram said Earth First members and supporters know the evidence is false "and we want to prove it is."

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An anonymous Earth First member expresses his opinion.



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Larry Cherney, right, answers questions at a press conference under the watchful eye of his attorney Doug Horngard.

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FBI has changed its tactics?

What a ridiculous thing it is to read that Richard Held, San Francisco FBI director, is claiming that COINTELPRO, the FBI's infamous counterintelligence program, is dead. In your article on the bomb assassination attempt on Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, Held claims that the FBI has rejected the COINTELPRO tactics of the past, which included assassinations, false arrests, smear campaigns and other tactics to disrupt progressive political movements.

If anyone doubts that Richard Held is lying through his teeth, they should ask themselves why Geronimo Ji Jaga (Pratt) is still in prison after 20 years of incarceration for a crime that he did not commit.

Since 1980, Amnesty International has repeatedly demanded that Geronimo receive a new trial. In 1985, CBS' "60 Minutes" program documented the injustice of Geronimo's case. And as recently as Sept. 22, 1989, a Tribune editorial called for the government to "Give Pratt a new trial."

In the face of this worldwide support for Geronimo, the courts continue to deny him a new trial, and last year the state parole board denied him freedom for the tenth time, despite an excellent prison record.

Only the active intervention of covert forces could exert the kind of pressure on judges and parole board members that would lead them to overlook such a clear case of injustice. At a time when the most famous

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political prisoner of our time, Nelson Mandela, is celebrating his release with the world, it is criminal that we allow Richard Held and his cronies to cover up the existence of political prisoners in the United States.

Without justice, there can be no peace!

JONATHAN MARLEY
International Campaign to Free
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Forest faceoff at cutting edge; 17 arrested

By Marie Felde
The Tribune

FORT BRAGG — Seventeen protesters were arrested in a redwood forest south of here yesterday as both sides in the heated timber harvest debate readied for what is expected to be the biggest Redwood Summer showdown yet.

Head-to-head rallies and parades are planned today in this North Coast mill town by both Earth First activists, organizers of the anti-logging protest dubbed Redwood Summer, and by a newly formed and highly visible logger's support group.

Both sides say they are planning peaceful events, but the police chief has called in 200 extra officers from as far away as Alameda County just in case.

The nation's press is also on hand, with nearly 100 news teams signing in at the makeshift public information office set up at City Hall.

That kind of attention was too good to pass up, said Maribelle Anderson, a leader of the Community Solidarity Coalition, a group backing loggers and their families.

Anderson said yesterday her group intentionally planned the counter-rally to capitalize on the momentum of Redwood Summer protests.

"The reason we are doing this rally is because the national press is here," said Anderson. She added, "We feel we have been left out in media stories."

She said the logging rally and parade will be held 10 blocks from the Redwood Summer gathering to keep the events from clashing.

At the Fort Bragg Environmental Center, the Redwood Summer rally and march planned for today on the Georgia Pacific sawmill was briefly overshadowed by a forest sit-in 30 miles to the south.

Environmentalists claimed a major victory in shutting down, at least temporarily, the cutting

of a small grove of old-growth redwood just off Highway 128 in Mendocino County. "This is what Redwood Summer is all about. Picket signs in front of the mill is nice, but we are here to slow the logging," said activist Jennifer Beigel.

On Wednesday, a small group of activists moved in to occupy the stand of ancient trees after nearby residents alerted them that loggers had begun to cut the growth.

Yesterday, in the continuing action, 17 people were arrested for trespassing on the land owned by the Louisiana Pacific timber company, said Sheriff's Sgt. Don Miller.

In all, 39 people have been arrested there, he said, adding that he expected the action to continue through next week.

Environmentalists were hopeful, however, of obtaining a court order to halt the cutting.

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FBI takes note of article on environmentalists

Story contains allegations of harassment, spying

By Seth Rosenfeld
 OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

The head of the FBI in San Francisco has referred a news article alleging its agents have been harassing and spying on environmental activists to the internal FBI unit that investigates reports of agents' misconduct.

Richard W. Held, special agent in charge of the San Francisco FBI office, said in a letter dated June 11 to Examiner Publisher William R. Hearst III that he had sent the article to the FBI's Office of Professional Responsibility in Wash-

ington.

The article, which appeared in June 10 editions of The Examiner, stated that environmental activism has become a target of political suspicion and surveillance and that "it's the FBI's work that is at the center of the new harassment and suspicion of environmental groups."

Held added that he had referred the article to the Office of Professional Responsibility so that it would be aware of it in the event someone specifically alleged that the FBI planted the bomb that exploded inside the car of two members of Earth First!, a militant environmental group, in Oakland on May 24.

He strongly denied that the FBI had placed the bomb or had engaged in any misconduct. "If somebody has evidence to that effect they should bring that forward," he said in an interview. "I am satisfied that that simply is not true."

He said it would be up to the Office of Professional Responsibility to decide whether to investigate the matter. FBI spokesman Gregory Jones in Washington said the FBI as a matter of routine does not comment on internal investigations.

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Judi Bari 'can't give it up'

By Linda Goldston
 Mercury News Staff Writer

Late at night, after the parade of reporters and supporters has gone home, Judi Bari reaches for her pillow. Only then does she sob and wish that she would die. Only then does she admit to herself that her life has changed forever.

Two and a half months after a pipe bomb exploded beneath her, the woman used to being on the front lines with a bullhorn is learning how to navigate corners and curbs in a wheelchair. Doctors have said she may never walk again.

Judi Bari — the creator of Redwood Summer, the Earth First! organizer whom many in the North Coast timber industry have grown to hate, the activist the FBI and Oakland police accused of being a bomb-carrying terrorist — is crippled.

It is perhaps the hardest fate of all for a woman dubbed outrageous by friend and foe. A woman who was as apt to whip out her middle to unveil a new political song before

Menocino County supervisors as she was to mount "the good Christians" with her bullhorn at an abortion rally in Ukiah. A woman who has spent her life challenging just about everything she thought was wrong.

This time, there is nothing she can do. "I would much rather be out there dancing and singing," said Bari, who is recuperating at a secret location in the mountains. "I don't think I can do that now without worrying about my safety or whether or not I can hold up. I really feel like that's a loss. I was totally obnoxious, but I loved

Before the bomb exploded beneath the seat of her Subaru station wagon on May 24, Bari's activities — and her antics — were known mainly in the North Coast timber region. Since then, her life has been explored in minute detail by everyone from the FBI to a reporter from England.

Police immediately accused Bari and fellow activist Darryl Cherney of transporting the bomb that injured them. But after an eight-week investigation, two searches of Bari's Redwood Valley home outside Ukiah and numerous leaks to the media, no charges were filed. Bari and Cherney say none could be filed because they are innocent.

And everyone from Michael Fisher, executive director of the Sierra Club, and Molly Yard, president of the National Organization for Women, to U.S. Rep. Ronald Dellums, D-Oakland, and state Assemblyman Tom Bates, D-Berkeley, has called for independent investigations of the case.

Oakland police and the FBI say they have not ruled out Bari or Cherney, a passenger in the car, as suspects and are

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continuing their investigation.

For her or against her: That kind of sharp contrast has always marked Bari's life. Throughout her 20 years as a political activist and labor organizer, the 40-year-old, 5-foot mother of two has either delighted or disgusted those exposed to her impish sense of humor and confrontational style.

You asked for it

When Bari told officials at a May 1 board of supervisors meeting in Ukiah that she was worried about death threats she had received and the "lynch mob" atmosphere against activists, Supervisor Marilyn Butcher said, "Judi, you've brought this on yourself."

In an interview, Butcher did not back away from that view: "They've been very volatile with a great deal of showmanship to catch the media's attention."

The middle child of three girls, Bari grew up in a small, conservative town on the outskirts of Baltimore, where her neighbors were mainly steel workers and the atmosphere was no different from other cities during the bobby sox era of the 1950s: most girls, Bari included, just wanted to be popular.

In college, Bari, a National Merit Scholar semi-finalist, immediately joined the anti-war movement. She dropped out of the University of Maryland when she realized she was attending more protests than classes.

Union activist

At work, Bari became active in the retail clerks union at a Washington, D.C., grocery store. She later became chief shop steward of her mainly male co-workers at the bulk mail center run by the U.S. Postal Service in Maryland, where she organized a wildcat strike that resulted in improved working conditions and a reduction in mandatory overtime. She also started a worker newspaper called Postal Strife, a takeoff on one put out by the post office called Postal Life.

"Judith has always been involved in activities that involve struggle, and she's always been fighting for poor people," said Walt Penney, a computer software development manager in Tacoma Park. "I've worked with Judi in the retail clerk's union. In doing that, she's always confronted the power that be."

Little changed when Bari moved in 1979 to Sonoma County, where she married and gave birth to two daughters, ages 4 and 3. She was seven months pregnant when she was arrested along with 79 others — at a military recruitment office in Santa Rosa during a non-violent demonstration to protest the war in Vietnam.

Bart moved in 1958 to Los Angeles, where he joined the local Central American American group and started working as a newspaper carrier. After his divorce in 1960,

she joined Earth-First! and found work as a carpenter, a skill she learned doing odd jobs back East.

While working for California Yurts, which builds specially designed houses, Bari discovered old-growth redwood forests were being harvested.

"We were building a 2,500-square-foot summer home for a veterinarian, a single person who lived in San Francisco and only was going to use it on the weekends," Bari recalled. "There was this really pretty redwood on the side, 20-foot-long pieces with no knots. Suddenly this light bulb went off in my head and I went up to the bookkeeper and said, 'Is this old-growth redwood?' And he said, 'Oh, yeah. The salesman said this stuff is a thousand years old.' And I was appalled."

Bari did something that her friends said only she would think of. She located the site where the 1,000-year-old redwood had been cut in Humboldt County. And during a housewarming party, she presented the owner with a photograph of the clear-cut site that produced the wood for her home.

The veterinarian hung the photo in his office.

"That's Judi in a nutshell," said Davis Raitt, singer Bonnie Raitt's brother and co-owner of California Vets. "She's not a vet. She's the only female veterinarian at the clinic."

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mentalists to slow the rate of logging and stop the cutting of old-growth redwoods. Her support grew when Louisiana Pacific announced last year that it would export unfinished lumber to Mexico.

Bari said it was the failure of law enforcement to take death threats against her and other environmental activists seriously that prompted her to call for "Mississippi Summer in the Redwoods."

"I saw a parallel to what they had in Mississippi in the 1960s," she said. "Just as they could get away with beating up blacks as long as only Mississippi was watching, they could get away with beating up Earth Firsters in Mendocino County as long as only Mendocino County was watching."

On May 23, one day before the car bombing, activist Mem Hill sued Meritino County authorities for failing to prosecute incidents in which she and several others, including Bari, were injured. Prosecutors said they did not have enough evidence.

Bari spent seven weeks in Oakland's Highland Hospital following the explosion, and was released July 24 from the North Coast Rehabilitation Center. Her right leg is still paralyzed, although doctors believe that will change in time. Her left foot remains paralyzed, preventing her from walking without the aid of her cane.

"I am physically disabled," she said. "I'm self-conscious about my looks," she said. "The

...that I didn't plan to let it stop her. I wanted to resume her activism as soon as possible. At first, I thought I'd never see another political thing in my life. But I realize I can't give it up.



Activist Bari still can handle some physical tasks, such as ironing an Earth First T-shirt

St. Louis - Mercury News

Though she hasn't given up trying, it's possible that Bari will never walk again, her doctors say. She's also found that she can't sit up for long periods. There is hope that her right leg will lose some of its paralysis.





Pam Davis, left, comforts Bari during her stay in a Santa Rosa rehabilitation facility

Photographs by Eugene Louis — Mercury News

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Earth First protests FBI inquiry

By Seth Rosenfeld
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

About 150 environmentalists and feminists gathered outside the federal building to hear Earth First activist Judi Bari and others criticize the FBI's handling of its investigation of the bomb explosion that injured her.

Bari, 40, was joined Tuesday morning by more than a dozen speakers, including United Farm Workers co-founder Dolores Huerta, and a mostly female crowd in a rally billed as a "women's gathering in defense of Mother Earth and Sister Judi."

"The purpose of the rally is to impress upon the FBI that women are outraged that the FBI is not investigating the death threats that he received," said rally organizer Mary Moore. "We want to know what they are doing."

It was Bari's first public appearance since May 24, when a pipe bomb demolished the car she and her fellow Earth First activist Darhyl Cherney were driving near downtown Oakland. Earth First is a militant environmental group that has protested logging policies in Northern California.

The FBI and Oakland police quickly announced that Bari and Cherney were the main suspects in the blast, but an investigation failed to find sufficient evidence and the Alameda County District Attorney last month announced no charges would be filed.

Bari told the rally that the FBI advised her attorney last week that it still considers her a suspect in the bombing.

She and Cherney said the FBI has failed to vigorously pursue likely suspects, including members of the timber industry, local police and the FBI. "They never asked me about anything," she said. "I could name names."

Last week, FBI agents conducted more interviews in Mendocino County, but seemed to remain focused on environmentalists, she said.

An underlying theme of the rally was the notion that Bari had been attacked because she was an effective woman organizer. Another was that environmentalism is essentially a feminist movement which lumber firms, the FBI and other male-dominated institutions have perceived as a threat.

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Jodi Bart, second from right, sings with Darryl Cherney, right, for an Earth First rally at the Federal Building.

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Earth First protesters vandalize logging gear

Sequoia National Forest loggers stay away from rally

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CAMP NELSON, Tulare County — Earth First demonstrators vandalized equipment and rolled logs and rocks onto a logging road as they took their "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protest to Sequoia National Forest in the Sierra Nevada.

Sierra Forest Products Lumber Co. officials said they decided to suspend logging in the area Monday to avoid a confrontation with the demonstrators.

Protesters Monday draped banners

and branches on logging machinery but did not damage any.

However, some of the estimated 100 people who hiked nearly an hour to reach the remote site let all the air out of six tires on a tractor parked across the road.

Logs and boulders rolled into the dirt road all along the three-mile stretch created a clean up headache for workers.

The vandalism drew sharp criticism from the logging industry.

"Earth First's actions today were more about petty vandalism and political theater than responsible forest management," said Dave Fogarty of Californians for New Forestry, a pro-industry group.

He said none of the Sierra's giant sequoia trees, cousins of California's coastal redwoods, was being logged at the site.

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Members of Earth First wave signs and banners during hike in Sequoia National Forest Monday; loggers took the day off to avoid confrontations.

For F.B.I., Back to Political Sabotage?

By Judi Bari

On May 24 a car bomb exploded under my seat as I drove through Oakland, Calif. The attack followed a series of death threats against me and occurred as I was traveling to organize nonviolent protests with Earth First! against overcutting of the redwood forest in northern California. My injuries are painful and severe, and will leave me permanently crippled.

But the unspeakable terrorism of this ordeal did not end there. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, working with the Oakland police, immediately concluded that I was responsible for the bombing myself. They attempted to charge me with the assassination attempt that nearly took my life.

Within hours after the bombing, they declared that my passenger, Darryl Cherney, and I were the only suspects. They based this on an F.B.I. agent's statement that since the bomb was on the floor in the back seat of the car, we should have seen it

I know one thing: I didn't bomb myself.

and therefore we knew we were carrying it. Later they admitted that the bomb was hidden well under the seat and could not have been seen. Nonetheless, Mr. Cherney and I were arrested.

During the next eight weeks, the police and F.B.I. raided my house twice and even pulled finishing nails from my window trim in a vain attempt to link me to nails found in the bomb. Meanwhile, a local newspaper received a letter claiming credit for the bombing. The letter said that the author wanted to kill me for my political activities and described the bomb in such detail that police had to admit that the writer had personal knowledge of it. But instead of searching for the letter's author, the F.B.I. concluded that the letter writer must be my accomplice, and Mr. Cherney and I remained the only suspects.

While I was in the hospital, too weak to respond, the police and F.B.I.

Judi Bari is an organizer with the environmental group Earth First! She is in hiding in northern California.

carried on a media campaign against me. Using selected leaks and innuendo, they continued to imply my guilt. Yet the filing of charges against me was delayed twice, then finally dropped on July 18 for lack of evidence. In spite of this, the F.B.I. successfully damaged my reputation and discredited the nonviolent movement I was helping to organize.

Political sabotage of this nature is reminiscent of the activities the F.B.I. engaged in during the 1960's under the name "Cointelpro." This program of covert operations was formally suspended in 1971 after the media revealed that the F.B.I. had deliberately disrupted legitimate movements for social change.

Congressional investigations established that the F.B.I.'s activities included a 10-year secret war against Dr. Martin Luther King, and court documents show that agents acted improperly in the murders of members of the Black Panther Party and the American Indian Movement. The F.B.I. agent in charge of investigating my case is Richard W. Held, who worked with Cointelpro. And although Cointelpro was formally suspended, a former agent, Wesley Swearingen, has said that its activities continued.

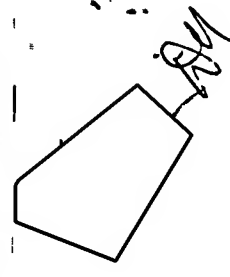
The F.B.I. admitted at a news conference that one of its agents, Michael Fain, set up Earth First! activists for arrest in Arizona, and it has been widely reported that the bureau spent more than \$2 million to infiltrate and disrupt Earth First! Considering this history, it seems wildly improper for the F.B.I. to be conducting any investigation of the bombing attack on me in Oakland.

The reaction of the F.B.I. to the bombing was so improper that a coalition of 50 environmental and women's groups, including the Sierra Club, the Audubon Society and the National Organization for Women, joined Representative Ron Dellums of California in calling for a Congressional investigation. The House Judiciary subcommittee on civil and constitutional rights, headed by Representative Don Edwards of California, has agreed to question the F.B.I. about its handling of the case.

Earth First! is not a terrorist organization, although the F.B.I. has done its best to present us as one. If it can succeed in framing and discrediting us, then domestic dissent is not safe from Government sabotage. The right to advocate social change without fear of harassment is the cornerstone of a free society. We cannot allow ourselves to be manipulated by police agencies that have no respect for our democratic principles. □

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Legal war on timber ballot arguments

By Carolyn Newbergh
The Tribune

The timber industry has sued the state for the right to tie the militant Earth First environmental group to an initiative banning the clear-cutting of forests in statewide ballot pamphlets.

The lawsuit, filed against Secretary of State March Fong Eu late Tuesday in Sacramento County Superior Court, challenges on First Amendment free-speech grounds the state elections law requiring permission from groups before they can be named in a ballot argument.

"The public has the right to know that a group that spikes trees, vandalizes logging equipment, and harasses timber workers and their families is the most vocal advocate of Proposition 130," said Gerald Partain, a petitioner in the lawsuit and former director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

The case, contesting the removal of the name Earth First from the ballot arguments, is an important First Amendment challenge, said Tony Miller, chief deputy Secretary of State.

"We call it as we see it (based on state law)," Miller said. "But they're calling for a compelling First Amendment argument that you should be able to say anything you want in a ballot argument can be made."

The campaign for Proposition 130, called the Forest Wildlife and Protection Initiative, said the radical Earth First group is either a supporter or sponsor of the far-reaching measure.

The November ballot, which would protect old-growth forests by buying up forest land through a \$42 million bond issue, is backed by four mainstream conservation groups: the Sierra Club, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Planning and Observation League, and the Environmental Protection In-

formation Center.

"Earth First is against all cutting of old growth and the initiative allows for a small amount of it," said Darryl Cherney of Earth First, a leader of the defiantly amorphous organization. "This is not an Earth First initiative in fact nor is it an Earth First initiative in spirit."

The lawsuit is an attempt to undermine Proposition 130's support among voters who dislike Earth First's extremist tactics, said Leo McElroy, campaign manager for the measure.

The timber industry's organization, Californians for New Forestry, is behind rival measure Proposition 138, which it says would also reduce clear-cutting of trees and issue \$300 million in bonds for planting trees throughout the state.

The environmental groups are concealing the role of Earth First out of fear of public backlash, said timber industry lawyer Colleen McAndrews.

"They are sanitizing who their sponsors are," she said.

Eu required the name Earth First to be removed from the ballot argument but allowed descriptions of Earth First as an extremist group to remain. Cherney's call for "terminally ill people to strap bombs to themselves" and blow themselves up at facilities that damage the environment is also retained. He retracted the statement since making it on "60 Minutes."

The environmental coalition said it would contest the remaining references in a lawsuit to be filed within a week.

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Earth First leader files suit on crash

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Earth First leader Judi Bari has filed suit against a logging company and one of its truck drivers for allegedly ramming her car and running it off the road last year.

The suit against Redwood Coast Trucking filed Wednesday in Mendocino County Superior Court asks for unspecified dam-

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ages for battery, negligence and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Bari has criticized Mendocino County authorities for allegedly failing to properly investigate the case, in which no charges were filed against the driver.

She says prosecutors have not charged other loggers who have attacked Earth First activists during environmental demonstrations. Bari also was in a car in Oakland in May in which a pipe bomb exploded, and no one has been charged in that case.

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A founder of Earth First says he wants a 'divorce'

Tells paper, 'yippies and hippies' pulling group away from environmental ethic into leftist arena

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SANTA ROSA — A founder of the activist environmental group Earth First wants a "no-fault divorce" from the organization because the group is being pulled too far to the left, he said in a published report.

Dave Foreman, 42, who lives in Arizona and is facing federal charges he conspired to disrupt nuclear power facilities in three states, told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat that the group is being pulled beyond its environmental ethic into a "leftist" arena by "yippies and hippies."

The movement's emerging leaders, including Northern California promoters of Redwood Summer, are "more interested in the wildness within than the wildness out in the forests," Foreman said in an interview published Monday.

He said he began to pull back from his highly visible role in Earth First a few years ago, partly because of his disenchantment with the growing influence of West Coast activists such as movement co-founder Mike Roselle of Berkeley and Judi Bari of Mendocino County.

"I'm not feeling we share the same style," Foreman said. "We have very different strategies."

But he said he does not want any hard feelings with his fellow environmentalists.

"I just want a no-fault divorce," Foreman said. "I don't want to get into a public (debate)."

His disavowal may trigger an irreconcilable split within Earth First, a loose-knit movement that has no formal membership list but circulates a monthly journal to at least 15,000 followers nationwide.

Earth First's notoriety has grown along with its following, sparked in part by the sabotage tactics advocated by some members.

Several followers and key organizers, including Foreman, are either under indictment or face possible criminal charges stemming from tree spiking and an alleged plot to shut down nuclear-power facilities.

In May, Bari and another member of the group were injured when a car bomb exploded. No charges were filed.

She and Roselle dismissed Foreman's fears about "California crazies" pushing leftist political agendas.

"We're going to keep doing what we think is best, and that's raise these issues and confront the industries that are trying to exploit our last wild lands," Roselle said.

Roselle accused Foreman of being "a retired old man out on the lecture circuit."

Foreman, a former mainstream lobbyist-turned-radical, helped found Earth First a decade ago with four other conservationists.

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Bari and Roselle dismissed Foreman's fears about "California crazies" pushing leftist political agendas.

Roselle cited Foreman's past conservative political connections — such as when he was active in former Republican Sen. Barry Goldwater's campaign 25 years ago — and accused the disgruntled founder of "redbaiting."

"We're going to keep doing what we think is best, and that's raise these issues and confront the industries that are trying to exploit our last wild lands," Roselle said.

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Bari sings out to protest FBI probe

Earth First! activist Judi Bari on Tuesday made her first public appearance since she was injured by a car bomb in Oakland. She joined protesters, including fellow activist

Darryl Cherney, right, and her daughter Lisa, left, in a San Francisco rally to denounce the FBI investigation that targeted her as a suspect in the bombing.

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Earth First probe hits North Coast

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FBI agents probing the Earth First bombing case are now delving into the North Coast's extremist fringe of survivalists, anti-abortionists, religious fanatics and angry loggers searching for clues that might crack the 3-month-old case.

Much of the investigation is focused on trying to unearth the identity of the "Lord's Avenger," an anonymous letter writer who has claimed responsibility for the May 24 bombing that injured two Earth First leaders. The avenger said he planted the bomb in retaliation for the anti-abortion and anti-logging protests of one of the activists, Judi Bari.

Several FBI agents recently spent a week in the North Coast area interviewing people, but thus far that apparently has yielded no strong leads in the case. The investigation also has been hampered by the distrust of many environmentalists, who have refused to cooperate in the probe.

The environmentalists say they are angry because police have from the beginning considered Bari and fellow Earth First activist Darryl Cherney, who was in the car when it exploded, to be possible suspects in the bombing. Earth First members also claim the FBI has not fully explored whether loggers who allegedly had threatened Bari planted the bomb.

"Until the FBI questions (loggers) who have made overt threats of violence, I'm not going to have any faith that they really want to find the bomber," Cherney said.

"I think their investigation is a sham," said Bari. "I hope they prove me wrong."

A scheduled interview of Bari by the FBI on Friday was canceled, according to Bari, after the bureau refused to guarantee that nothing she said

would be used against her in the future.

"After all this time, they still think I'm a suspect," she said.

Others who have been approached by the FBI said they believed agents were sincerely trying to get to the bottom of the case.

"It seems to me to be a fairly serious investigation," said Bruce Anderson, publisher of the Anderson Valley Advertiser and a friend of Bari and Cherney. "... I think (the FBI agents are) up here all the time, that they're moving in. But a lot of my friends tell me I'm too optimistic."

Much of the investigation is aimed at solving the riddle of the Lord's Avenger letter.

Investigators have been trying to obtain threatening letters sent to newspapers or environmental groups by religious fanatics, loggers or others that might also have been written by the Lord's Avenger.

"We're looking at any kinds of communiques in the past to anyone that might match the Lord's Avenger letter," said Duke Diedrich, spokesman for the FBI's San Francisco office. "We're asking anyone to contact the FBI if they receive any communiques that might resemble the letter."

The FBI is examining two recent letters sent to a newspaper from someone calling himself "Zorro" and "Lt. Colombo's Poker Pal." The letters were an analysis of the bombing incident and named two people who "Zorro" speculated might be responsible for the bombing.

"I see some stylistic resemblances" to the Lord's Avenger letter, said Anderson, who turned a copy of a Zorro letter given to him by Bari over to the FBI. "There are certain kinds of awkward phrasings."

Some people interviewed by FBI agents also have supplied names or descriptions of log-

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gers, anti-abortion activists, survivalists and other enemies of Bari and Cherney.

That could lead investigators in many different directions — to a spurned ex-lover, to a church leader, to right-wing Mendocino businessmen — and to chasing after shadows, environmentalists admit.

"Instead of not having any leads, there are millions of leads," said Betty Ball of the Mendocino Environmental Center, who is a close Bari friend. "Any avenue would take you quite a ways before you'd realize

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Judi Bari
Angry at FBI



Darryl Cherney
Still a suspect

you were or were not close, that you had come up with nothing. It's a baffling thing."

Authorities, for example, looked into the case of a teenager in Crescent City who was arrested by police there in May after he'd sold an undercover agent a homemade bomb.

But that case, according to Crescent City police, has no relation to the Earth First bombing. The teenager was a local resident who allegedly planted several bombs to protest laws that restricted purchases of assault rifles, police said.

"It's not connected in any way" to the Earth First case, said Crescent City Detective Virginia Anthony. "I definitely would jump on it if there was any connection."

The FBI also is examining the Lord's Avenger letter, trying to determine if the writing style or some information in it contains a clue to the writer's identity.

Investigators believe the avenger was somehow involved in the Oakland bombing because he provided detailed and accurate descriptions of the bomb. The Avenger also took credit for and described a bomb that detonated at a Cloverdale lumber company office on May 9.

But other elements of the letter indicate the Avenger connected some of his story, and in-

vestigators suspect he wrote the letter to throw them off the track.

The Avenger claimed, for example, that he planted the bomb in Bari's car while she was at a meeting between Earth First activists and loggers at a Willits restaurant. But her car was in plain view near the Willits police station at the time, and it is highly unlikely the bomb could have been planted there.

Investigators also are suspicious because the Avenger went to extremes in his letter to dismiss any doubts he was the bomber, including the statement early in the letter, "Doubt me not."

That may indicate he is covering up for someone else who actually did the bombing, sources said.

The Avenger claimed he first targeted Bari for attack in November 1988 after listening to her give a speech at a demonstration at an abortion clinic in Ukiah. Several dozen anti-abortion activists had picketed the clinic, and Bari was part of a group of counter-demonstrators.

Investigators are trying to determine who was at the anti-abortion protest, according to people interviewed by the FBI, and to get the names of people who were at the Willits restaurant when the Lord's Avenger claims he planted the bomb.

But police still are not ruling

out Bari and Cherney as suspects.

Diedrich said: "We're still examining the physical evidence; the investigation is ongoing and widespread. We're still looking at them as either targets or transporters of the device. We haven't ruled anything out."

Capt. Jim Hahn of the Oakland Police Department, which is investigating the case with the FBI, declined comment on the probe except to say it was "active and ongoing."

Investigators previously searched Bari's and Cherney's homes and cars and seized tools and other items they suspected might have been used to make the bomb. But tests of those items have failed to link them to the bomb or proven inconclusive.

Investigators also took typewriter parts and writing samples from Bari's home to see if they could be linked to the Lord's Avenger letter. But thus far, tests have found no connection, sources said.

Meanwhile, Cherney said environmentalists were doing their own investigation into the bombing and were considering offering a reward for information on the bomber's identity.

"People have the idea the FBI is a suave organization, but in reality they're bumbling around in the dark," said Pam Davis, a friend of Bari.

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Earth First founder makes split official

Foreman upset by early publicity of his resignation

By Jane Kay

EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

Dave Foreman, a founder of the misty Earth First environmental group, says he's bowing out with respect for the movement and a pledge to return to preserving the nation's wilderness.

"We feel like we should be sitting at the bar of a seedy honky-tonk, drinking Lone Star (beer), thumbing quarters in the country-western jukebox, and writing this letter on a bar napkin," Foreman, a slow-talking Southwesterner, wrote in his letter officially breaking ties with Earth First.

In the "dear friends" letter sent Friday, he suggested retiring the name "Earth First!" and declaring "our general species extinct."

He said the 10-year-old organization has evolved into "sister species" that are adapted to monkey-wrenching, direct action and conservation biology.

But he said dropping the name is unlikely to happen, and he's right.

California Earth Firsters are bidding Foreman goodbye with guarded respect, and say they'll still be on the front lines with or without him.

In a telephone interview from Tucson, his home, Foreman, 43, said he was upset by the acrimonious publicity accompanying the revelation a week ago that he intended to leave Earth First.

"I've been disappointed how my leaving Earth First has been char-

acterized," he now says. "It's been an entirely friendly separation on my part. I didn't want to be critical of the Redwood Summer people."

Salt on wounds

He's trying to patch up differences. Yet in his letter he poured salt on the wounds by calling the California contingent's Redwood Summer, a protest campaign to save ancient redwoods, a "class-struggle left/counterculture approach."

Foreman and Judi Bari, an Earth First leader since she joined the movement in 1987, have agreed to disagree.

"There are serious political differences and we acknowledge them," Bari said. "We respect the work that Dave Foreman has done, and if he wants to leave, he'll leave without animosity."

Foreman said for two years he has wanted to leave Earth First to "get back to the protection of every remaining roadless area and begin to work on restoring developed and eroded land."

At the time he was about to leave last summer, he became involved in a high-profile FBI case. He was charged with conspiring to sabotage nuclear plants. "... I was thrust back in the role of an Earth First spokesman. I thought I'd continue to do it until this is over. But it's dragged on, and there's been a need to resolve things."

Foreman's trial, originally set for Sept. 5, has been delayed, and no future date has been set.

Tension over differences in strategy and style between Foreman and the California activists has been brewing for months. And Foreman's farewell letter should

"Mind you, we are not opposed to campaigns for social and economic justice," his letter said. "We're generally supportive of such causes. But Earth First has from the beginning been a wilderness preservation group, and not a class-struggle group."

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Bitter end to North Coast summer of discontent

Despite 3 months of fighting timber industry, army of environmentalists loses main battle

By Jane Kay
EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

Three months of disruptive tactics designed to slow the logging of primeval redwood forests on the North Coast are winding down this weekend with successes and failures for the organizers of "Redwood Summer."

Gathering for a three-day concert in Humboldt County, called "Redwoodstock — the Ultimate Log Jam," the militant conservationists, led by Earth First, will celebrate the last days of a tense and heady summer.

Tree sittings, marches and confrontations at logging sites and corporate offices up and down the West Coast have brought nationwide attention to the declining stands of America's ancient forests, of which only 5 percent remain.

Yet up in timber territory, it's been a summer of discontent. Logging families have been angered — and threatened — by the often obnoxious presence of the "unwelcome invaders" who trespass on private logging jobs, link arms around mammoth trees, blockade

roads, unfurl banners in the groves and attempt citizen arrests on corporate executives.

In turn, environmentalists have been shot at in Willow Creek, beaten and stripped in Garberville, chased by a mob in Rio Dell, insulted on the streets of Fortuna and, in an ugly tussle, had their heads forcibly shaved, purportedly for lice — they call it "clearcut" — in the Humboldt County Jail. More than 150 were arrested, many spent time in jail and many will return for court appearances.

Meantime, activists failed to save hundreds of acres of towering redwoods from chain saws, despite weeks of occupation and arrests in groves owned by the Pacific Lumber Co.

So just as Redwood Summer organizers predicted — and perhaps because they did — the weeks were peppered with violence against them that harkened back to its namesake "Mississippi Summer," where in the 1960s activists were intimidated for fighting to end racial discrimination.

And, in the end, Redwood Summer has spawned a nasty polarization between the logging communities that make a living off felled trees and the crusading environmentalists.

The desired dialogue over sustainable forests — where more trees are grown than are logged — was as rare as a logger at a Sierra Club meeting.

This summer, 2,000 supporters, many young, went through nonviolent civil disobedience training at

base camps in Honeydew and Willow Creek, and 2,000 demonstrated at Samoa, Fort Bragg and Ferndale bridge.

Some used vacation time from steady jobs. Others were students or had flexible lifestyles. Many had never seen a redwood, never heard a chain saw, never protested. Most had never sat in a tree or tried to convince hostile opponents that, in the end, they were on the same side of saving jobs by saving forests.

Yet as unwelcome visitors to timber towns, they were seen as intruders on the rural North Coast — spoiled brats who have a questionable work ethic and bad manners.

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At a press conference Wednesday, Humboldt County Supervisor Anna Sparks, a timber industry supporter, said the summer of shenanigans would cost her county money — for law enforcement and legal action.

Sparks, the timber group Mothers' Watch and Pacific Lumber have accused the activists of tree spiking, equipment damage and tossing nails in roads. The activists deny it, in turn complaining of mills littered on their own roads to the camp.

"We said at the onset of the summer we would turn the other cheek, and that is what we have done," said a statement issued by Pacific Lumber's public affairs department.

"It has not been easy, in fact, it has been extremely difficult. The same people have been interfering in our livelihood on a regular basis and we're tired of being told how to live for a forest environment by individuals and groups who have no training nor understanding of modern forestry."

A spokeswoman for Redwood Summer, Kelpie Wilson, said: "Certain elements of the timber community have been doing their best to drive us out of here. There are more than 20 documented incidences of violence against us in August. So I wouldn't call that turning the other cheek."

Wilson said that calling a highly charged press conference the week before Redwoodstock, Pacific Lumber was "clearly attempting to incite violent attitudes and to build a sense of hostility."

Yet there have been some attempts at reconciliation, in particular by a group called Middle Ground, which comprises loggers, environmentalists and community

representatives. It issued a statement at the Eureka news conference, calling for respect among parties.

Arcata attorney Ken Collins, who represents dozens of arrested protesters, sees the summer as a new political education for the young similar to his own Vietnam War draft-resister experience.

Back then, "we were dealing with very polarized communities where it was difficult to establish moral credibility. There were extremely emotional reactions to the point of people being fearful for their physical safety."

"The lesson that I learned — and some of these people are learning — is that it's possible to deal with the American legal system from a position of principle and morality and achieve your goals."

In the Eureka Municipal Court, co-counsel Bill Bragg fashioned a successful defense of "lawful resistance" for 10 Redwood Summer protesters who blocked a logging truck in front of the Louisiana-Pacific plant in Samoa. Eight attorneys persuaded the judge to instruct the jury that the defendants weren't guilty if they could show they were resisting a commission of a public offense by using a reasonable amount of force.

In this case, defense attorneys argued the public offense was L. 11, violation of the Clean Water Act by discharging pollutants into the water, and the protesters' resistance was blocking the truck. It was a hung jury, and the district

attorney hasn't said whether the case will be retried.

One of the summer's biggest confrontations occurred in Pacific Lumber's Murrelet Grove, 15 miles southeast of Eureka, according to witnesses. The impetus was a 222-acre stand of old trees, which this summer, at last count, has been reduced to 75 acres.

After three weeks of slowing down work by rolling logs in the road, putting stink bombs in trucks and children's art work on trees, 40 protesters marched on the operation Aug. 21. The loggers were hard at work with caterpillars, bulldozers and chain saws.

Dakotah Schremp, 36, who had heard about Redwood Summer in Louisiana, recalled: "I'm pretty much of a non-confrontational person. But I started crying, seeing these old trees, man, just laying there dead. The loggers yelling at us, pushing stuff at us. We're yelling back and saying don't cut these trees. I just hugged the tree, tried to center myself. ... The tree was so big, I could see the guy next to me, and the guy next to him, but couldn't even see the other people around the bend."

One logger using an ax "put (it) down, and we started talking," Schremp said. "He said he got paid \$50 for cutting down the tree, and the tree had outlived its usefulness. We said please don't cut our old forest. But he said, 'When I get old and outlive my usefulness, I hope my children chop me down.'"



Protesters block logging truck at Louisiana Pacific mill in Samoa, Humboldt County, in June. More than 700 demonstrators were there.

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Tense Logging Protest Caps Redwood Summer

600 march to gates of mill in Fortuna

By Bill Israel
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Fortuna,
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Redwood Summer ended yesterday with a tense Labor Day march through this citadel of the timber industry.

About 600 environmentalists opposed to the continued logging of old-growth forests marched through town to the gates of Pacific Lumber's mill, passing through a corps of about 400 angry loggers and their supporters.

Police reported scores of instances of loggers and environmentalists exchanging angry words across the police line. At two places along the route, loggers pelted environmentalists with eggs, tomatoes or rocks.

But 200 riot-equipped police officers from throughout Northern California kept a lid on the tensions. Fortuna police said they arrested one logger for drunken and disorderly conduct. No injuries were reported.

Tempers were already rising before 10:30 a.m., when officers sealed off the city street to the demonstration site, near downtown Fortuna.

Some in the simmering pro-logging crowd drank beer or wine coolers as they awaited the 1 p.m. arrival of the environmentalists, who had marched from an encampment on the Eel River they call "Redwoodstock."

The environmentalists chose the Pacific Lumber Co. mill in Fortuna as their destination. Pacific Lumber has become the focal point of demonstrators since it doubled its output of timber after being acquired three years ago by Texas financier Charles Hurwitz.

The protesters marched five miles to Fortuna, mostly along U.S. Highway 101, where California Highway Patrol officers kept traffic moving as marchers filed along the shoulder of the road.

Although the demonstrators won a U.S. District Court order Friday permitting the march, Fortuna city officials warned the environmentalists that they were not welcome — and asked local residents not to become involved.

"This is a media event, designed for the 6 o'clock news," Fortuna City Manager Bob Brown said. "We believe it's real important that the Redwood Summer activists understand that they're not welcome in this community. We don't want them here. We'd ask them to stay away."

Fortuna resident and former Pacific Lumber employee Gene Kennedy disagreed with the logging crowd's sentiments. "Don't these people realize that before too long, the jobs are going to be gone, and they'll be jobless and pensionless sooner or later?" Kennedy asked. "It's only a question of when."

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TIMBER WORKERS FEAR FORESTS INITIATIVE

AT LOGGERHEADS

*Last company town worries
that timber jobs will be lost*

By Marie Felde

The Tribune

SCOTIA — Not a Sunday, but in the Rev. Tom Diaz' small Catholic church here that his congregation of logging families does not ask for God's help.

These people are praying for their jobs and more. Their homes and the very church in which they worship are owned, maintained and supported by the biggest redwood timber company in the world.

Scotia, situated in Humboldt County between a bank of the Eel River and Highway 101, is believed to be the last company town in North America.

But the company, Pacific Lumber Co., has become one of the main targets of a movement aimed at ending the cutting of ancient redwood trees. The effort has been the rallying point for many since it was started in 1987.

If the environmental groups get everything they want and voters approve a November logging reform initiative, the company's president predicts hundreds of lost jobs, a possible mill closure and even an end to the company town.

"It is not unforeseeable," said John A. Campbell, chair of the "Forests Forever" Initiative, "that the company could wind up selling off the town to individuals."

Backers of the measure include the Sierra Club and the Natural Resources Defense Council.

They, and those involved in the

ongoing logging protest called Redwood Summer, say the doom predicted by the timber industry is exaggerated and is being used as a scare tactic to keep business operating as usual.

The "Forests Forever" initiative would provide \$710 million in state bonds to acquire old-growth forest land owned by Pacific Lumber; would ban clear-cutting everywhere; and set detailed specifications for the number and size of trees that may be cut to assure a sustained yield.

Initiative proponents agree there will be job losses, but claim that without reforms, the companies will greatly overcut. Within 10 years, they say, most of California's logging jobs could be lost forever.

In Scotia, the residents' concern is very real, said Diaz, a young Catholic priest who came to St. Patrick's Church a year ago.

"We pray about it at church every week, every day. We pray for a solution," said Diaz. The priest said he is optimistic a balance can be found to protect the forests and save the jobs.

He's fearful, however, that changes could be forced on the industry too quickly.

Overnight, he said, people who have worked for Pacific Lumber since high school could be out of work in a region where there are few employment options.

"All of a sudden, the dignity of the person is lost. What are they going to do? ... We need a slow process," he said.

Inside Diaz' church is a poster reading: "This Family Supported by Timber Dollars."

Identical signs, available at Pacific Lumber's Scotia headquarters, are taped to windows and posted in front yards all over town.

Pacific Lumber owns all the houses. It

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owns the Catholic church building and the Protestant one just down the block. It employs a full-time crew of craftsmen to keep them painted and repaired.

"We have a waiting list of four or five years for a house. In many instances grandfathers to grandkids have lived in town and worked at the mill," said company spokesman Dave Galitz.

There are 270 houses, a kindergarten through-eighth grade public school, a medical center with two doctors and dentists and a small shopping center leased to independent merchants, he said.

The company operates a sewer and power plant and provides water service. There's a town electrician, a gym and community pool.

Rents range from \$200 to \$400 a month, with utility bills running about \$20 monthly, said Galitz.

When the issue of crime arises, a visitor learns about a spare tire stolen from the back of a truck.

But the town is not a secluded paradise. Its reason for existing at all is to service the company's sawmills. The mills and support operations dominate the town.

Pacific Lumber operations are centered in Humboldt County, where the timber industry provides about 10 percent of the jobs for the 118,000 people who live there. Pacific Lumber employs 1,300 people at mills in Scotia, Fortuna and Carlota.

It owns 194,000 acres of timberland in the county, mostly redwoods, including the largest stand of old-growth redwoods remaining anywhere.

It is the harvesting of the towering, ancient redwoods that has made Pacific Lumber a target of environmentalists. It also has become the symbol, deserved or not, of corporate greed invading the forests.

Pacific Lumber was purchased in 1985 in an unfriendly takeover by the Maxxam Corp., which used junk bonds to finance the deal. Immediately, the company doubled its harvest in part to pay off the debt.

The arrival of junk-bond financing in what traditionally had been a down-to-earth industry scared more than environmentalists.

"Employees had the same fear at the beginning," said Dan McLaughlin, Pacific Lumber's logging manager. They wondered how long they'd be around, he said.

But in the past five years employment has grown, there's been no change in the company's local top staff and its management of the timberlands is encouraging faster growth and long-term survival, he said.

Now, the workers' fears are centered on the state's urban residents who see themselves as environmentalists, said McLaughlin, noting that these city dwellers hold the key in the upcoming election.

"Take the person who lives in a concrete jungle. They see trees as God-like. They have a problem with cutting a tree down. People have the perception trees don't grow back," said Ray Miller, the company's chief forester.

Too many people, said Miller, "don't see that if you don't cut trees you won't have housing, cosmetics, paper." Even NFL helmets, he said, are made using a wood-based resin.

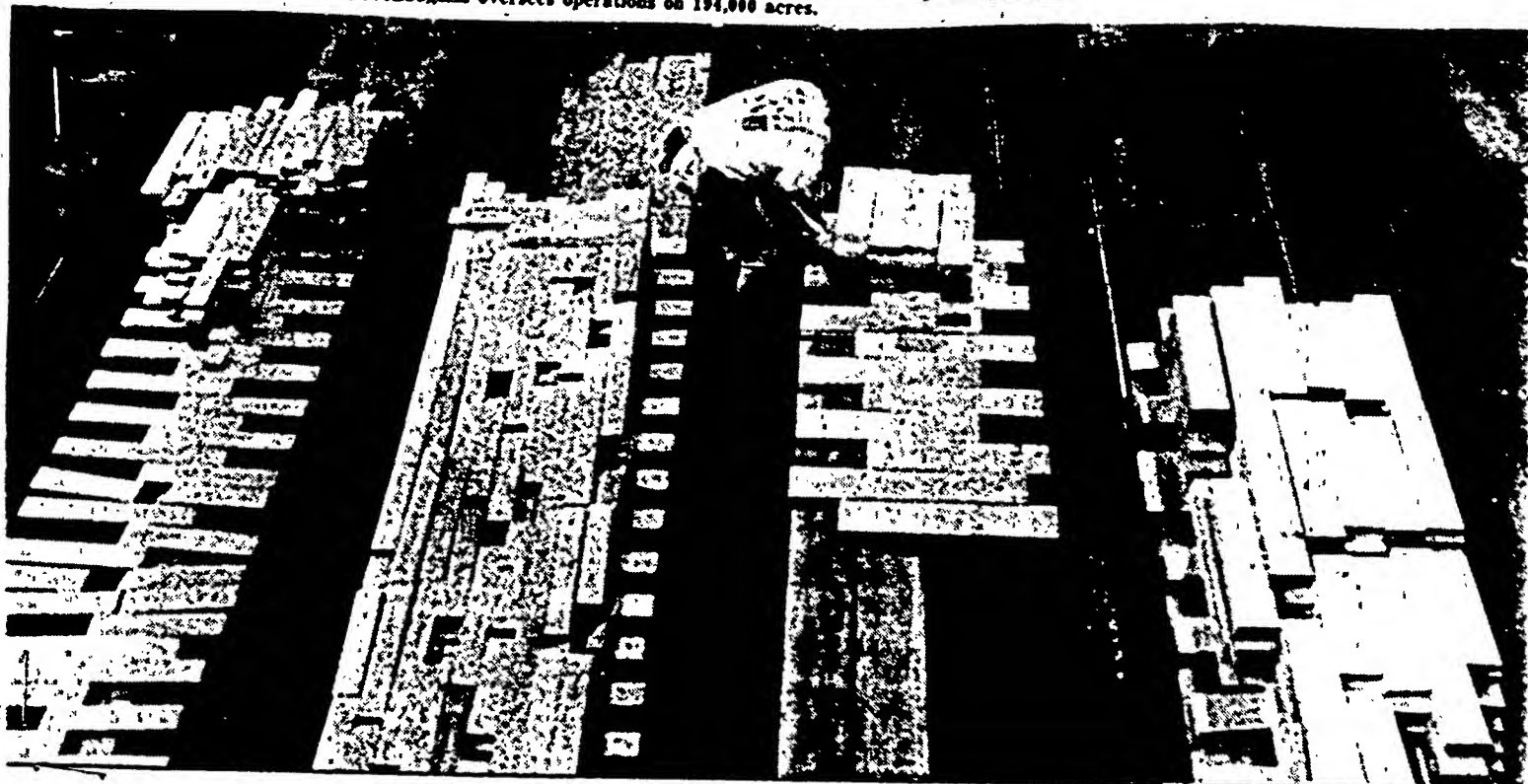
As the person in charge of planning Pacific Lumber's harvests, Miller said those working in the timber industry today take great care with the land and the trees.

"How can an industry get more environmentally sound?" asked Miller. "We are 80 percent self-sufficient for fuel. We don't use any toxics. The products that go out are all recyclable."

It is the bad practices of the past, say the timber managers, that have caused the current furor. "They are looking at the past We've been cleaning up the mistakes of 40 years ago," said McLaughlin.



Logging manager Dan McLaughlin oversees operations on 194,000 acres.



Lumber products are stacked in the finishing area at Pacific Lumber mill in Scotia. The company provides about 10 percent of the jobs in Humboldt County.

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Pacific Lumber Co. says it acts responsibly in its timber operations.



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Organizers regularly reminded the crowd of the need for peaceful action. "Let's keep it non-violent and keep it a positive message," activist Pam Davis urged

Across town, a spirited parade punctuated with blasts from logging trucks launched a counter rally.

People decked out in yellow T-shirts filled the stadium of a local park. After reciting the pledge of allegiance and singing the national anthem they were led in a cheer of "Families first, save our jobs." Police estimated the crowd at about 1,500.

However many in the Redwood Summer protest said they were local people too. They said if logging reforms don't come, there won't be any trees left to log.

Organizers of both events had agreed to stay away from each other to avoid confrontation, but when the Redwood Summer contingent began its afternoon march into the downtown on Highway 1, the two sides met.

Police, who had been out in great numbers all day, quickly moved in to keep the marchers and spectators separate.

The target of the march was to take over the headquarters at the Georgia Pacific sawmill a block off the main street.

More than 100 people had indicated to Earth First organizers they planned to engage in civil disobedience and be arrested. But as things heated up, they were asked by rally leaders not to take any action but rather to enjoy the day's success and "go home proud."

Police reported a total of four arrests in Fort Bragg yesterday. Two men wearing the symbolic yellow ribbons were arrested for obstructing police officers at the downtown standoff. Two other people were arrested for minor, unrelated incidents.

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A tractor loads timber onto a truck while logger Russell Burgess trims a cross bark.

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Loggers, activists square off

Confrontation remains peaceful

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FORT BRAGG — Environmentalists and logging supporters squared off on Main Street after a day of peaceful rallies at opposite ends of this sawmill town.

While there were plenty of verbal taunts in the confrontation Saturday, no fists or rocks were thrown in the second major event of Redwood Summer, as demonstrators for opposing causes met face to face, separated only by police lines at the intersection of Main and Redwood streets.

Wearing riot gear, 425 police and sheriff's deputies from agencies as far away as Petaluma and Alameda County kept a close eye on the demonstrators, who were festooned in green and yellow ribbons.

It was the second largest gathering in the history of this town, 130 miles north of San Francisco. In 1988, there was a protest of offshore oil drilling on the Mendocino coast.

Redwood Summer, modeled after the "Freedom Summer" civil rights protests in the South more than two decades ago, is a series of protests against logging practices. Among participants' concerns are the cutting of ancient redwood forests, overcutting of forests in general and the shipping of unprocessed logs overseas.

An estimated 1,500 logging

testers gathered before noon Saturday in a timber company field for several hours of speeches and singing, picnicking and eating free (be cream.

Georgia-Pacific Corp., which operates two sawmills and two other wood-processing plants here, initially had given environmentalists permission to meet on company property, then retracted it.

Pam Davis of the militant Earth First environmental group, one of Redwood Summer's sponsors, urged the crowd to remain nonviolent and to avoid clashes with police and loggers.

About a mile away, an estimated 1,000 timber industry supporters held a rival parade and rally against a forest protection measure on California's November ballot.

Organized by the Community Solidarity Coalition, the timber supporter's rally, which emphasized family values, was held at Green Memorial Field.

On Friday, 17 people in an Earth First protest elsewhere in Mendocino County were taken into custody for allegedly trespassing on property of the Louisiana-Pacific timber company, bringing to 38 the number of arrests in three days of demonstrations.

Forty-two people were arrested at a rally last month near Eureka.

George Parsons, who owns a machine shop in Fort Bragg, said he attended Saturday's Redwood Summer protest "because they are cutting the forests away so fast something has to be done."

Parsons said he used to work in the woods and is sympathetic to timber workers.

"But the big (timber) companies are trying to polarize the community so they can go out and take

as much as remains of our forests as they can," he said.

"If they (companies) were so concerned about the workers they would not be sending logs to Mexico to be milled," he added.

But on the other side of town,

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hundreds of people, most wearing yellow T-shirts reading "Timber Families — An Endangered Species," marched in the pro-logging rally.

Marchers chanted, "Families First!" and "It's OK to be a logger." Some carried signs reading, "Save Daddy's Job."

Sandy Jones, a clerk for Georgia-Pacific, said she attended the pro-industry rally "to support the community and our jobs and get some of the truth out about the timber industry."

"They're not going to liquidate the forests," she said. "I think they have good management."

The Proposition 130 ballot measure would authorize the sale of \$742 million worth of state bonds to buy and preserve certain old

growth forests. It also includes language that would restrict clearcutting, limit logging near waterways and require sustained-yield logging practices.

Supporters say the initiative would protect California's forests. Critics claim it would cost thousands of logging jobs.

The pro-industry rally was intended to help kick off a campaign against Prop. 130, said one of the organizers, Maribelle Anderson of the Community Solidarity Coalition.

"We're doing it on the same day (as the Redwood Summer rally) because the national media will be there and we can't pass up an opportunity like that to tell our story," she said.

Examiner correspondent Mitch Clogg contributed to this report.



Environmentalists throng the streets of Fort Bragg Saturday in a peaceful protest.

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Timber group's ballot tactics have foes fuming

By Paul Grabowicz
and Carolyn Newbergh
The Tribune

Mainstream environmentalists are raging at what they claim is a timber industry attempt to taint a sweeping forest preservation initiative with the extremist image of the "notorious" Earth First group.

The Timber Association of California has submitted a ballot argument against Proposition 130, claiming the initiative is "sponsored by the radical environmental group Earth First, notorious for driving spikes into trees, vandalizing logging equipment and harassing timber workers and their families."

The timber group, which is sponsoring a rival, less-sweeping forest preservation ballot measure — Proposition 138 — also

claims Earth First members are "under investigation for blowing up a power plant."

"It's a blatant and deliberate lie. ... It would be like us claiming (the timber association) measure was sponsored by the American Nazi Party," said Leo McElroy, manager of the campaign for Proposition 130. The measure on the November ballot would place a moratorium on clear-cutting of forests and authorize the sale of \$742 million in bonds to buy forest land.

Both sides in the dispute are considering going to court over the ballot argument.

"This initiative was drafted and supported by mainstream environmental groups that have credibility with the public," said David Edelson, a drafter of Proposition 130 and lawyer for the Natural Resources Defense Council. "We don't want to risk that credibility by being associated with Earth First."

"They (the timber industry), I am sure, have a poll saying if they can hang Earth First on our neck, they can fool voters into thinking this is some kind of radical proposal," said McElroy.

But those who helped write the timber association ballot argument said they stood by it.

"They (Earth First) are certainly outspoken in their support of (Proposition 130) up here," said one of those who signed the argument, Gerald L. Partain, former director of the California Department of Forestry who now lives in the Eureka area.

"They seem to be the most obvious ... most vociferous" supporters of Proposition 130, said another signer, Phillip G. Lowell, who is executive director of the Redwood Region Conservation Council in Santa Rosa.

Partain said because Earth First is a loose-knit group with no membership rolls it is able to take credit for what it wants and deny responsibility in other cases.

"It's easy for the Sierra Club and others to use them (Earth First) when it's appropriate, but ... they can back off when it's legally and politically expedient," he said.

Court battle likely

Asked about allegations that it is unfair to ignore the initiative's mainstream environmental backers and concentrate on Earth First, Partain responded: "You use whatever you can that is legal and effective to win your position."

The California Secretary of State's Office has told the timber association it must obtain Earth First's permission to use its name in the ballot argument, but otherwise the secretary has no power to make changes. As a result, both sides said they may go to court — the timber association to keep the name Earth

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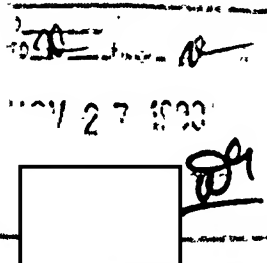
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First in the ballot argument and the environmentalists to strike all references to the group and tree spiking, vandalism and bombing.

Earth First has been at the center of controversy recently because of a May car bomb explosion in Oakland that injured two of its members.

In another case, several Earth First activists were indicted last year for allegedly plotting to sabotage power lines. The activists in that case have pleaded not guilty, while those injured in the car bomb explosion say they were targets of a terrorist attack by timber interests.

The more traditional environmental organizations have distanced themselves from Earth First, which they view as an extreme wing of the environmental movement that has little public support. They are uncomfortable with Earth First's call for "no compromise in defense of Mother Earth" and their endorsement of sabotage and vandalism against companies that despoil the environment, including logging firms.

4 groups back initiative

Cecelia Lanman, a board director of the Environmental Protection Information Center, who helped draft Proposition 130, said opponents are "trying to make it seem like there's an isolated small group behind it. ... To the contrary, it's a mainstream, grass-roots, popular movement."

Besides EPIC and the Natural Resources Council, the Sierra Club and the Planning and Conservation League are behind the measure, McElroy said, while Earth First is not officially sponsoring or even supporting it.

But Kevin Eckery, vice president of the Timber Association of California, said, "Certainly we think it's important that Earth First be left in (the ballot argument) because they are one of the supporters and that should be made clear. ... I think the public has a right to know."

David Foreman, one of the

founders of Earth First, is on an advisory committee for Proposition 130, according to Jann Taber, news director for the Timber Association's Proposition 138 campaign, and other Earth First activists are associated with Lanman's EPIC organization.

"We're not making anything up," Taber said.

Earth First members also are angry because they say the ballot argument misstates what their group is doing. They say their main thrust is non-violent civil disobedience and they are not involved in any bombings.

Statement retracted

The ballot statement claims that during an appearance on the "60 Minutes" television program, Earth First leader Darryl Cherney, who was injured in the Oakland blast, "advocated terminally ill people should strap bombs to themselves and blow up dams, power plants and other structures they believe harm the environment."

Cherney actually said "he might consider such an action himself if he had a terminal illness, but did not advocate that others do it."

Cherney since has retracted the statement, which he said was taken out of context.

Partain retorted, "I guess when you go on national TV and make that point, why do you make the point if not to encourage others likewise?"

The initiative by Partain's group would ban clear-cutting of ancient redwood stands and reduce clear-cutting of other forests 50 percent in the next five years. It also would set aside \$300 million for tree planting in urban areas and the purchase of 1,600 acres of new redwood parks.

The environmentalists' initiative would ban all clear-cutting and raise \$742 million to buy up ancient forests. Another \$32 million would be used to compensate workers who lose their jobs because of the forest purchases.

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Timber industry links Earth First! with forest measure— But argument runs afoul of secretary of state

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The timber industry is trying to link Proposition 130, a November ballot initiative to forbid clear-cutting of forests, with the radical group Earth First! But the industry is running into trouble with the Secretary of State's Office.

In ballot pamphlet arguments submitted for distribution to the voters, the Timber Association of California says Proposition 130 is sponsored by the radical environmental group Earth First!, notorious for driving spikes into trees, vandalizing logging equipment and harassing timber workers and their families. The association also says Earth First! members are "under investigation for blowing up a power plant."

Secretary of State March Fong Eu has ordered removal of the Earth First! name from the pamphlet because state law requires groups to give permission for use of their names in ballot arguments. But the argument would still say the proposition is sponsored by "a radical environmental group notorious for driving spikes into trees."

Sponsors of Proposition 130 say all references to the organization should be deleted because Earth First! was neither a drafter nor a sponsor of the initiative.

"I think they (the Timber Association of California) have a poll that indicates to them that the only argument they can use to defeat this is that we're supported by Earth First!, and they're determined to put that out there whether it's true or not, and it isn't," Leo McElroy,

manager of the yes-on-130 campaign, said Monday.

"People may see what Earth First! is doing as a threat to the democratic process and law and order. If they believe that we are part of that, they may translate that into votes against (the) initiative, and we could lose on something that has nothing to do with the initiative."

An Earth First! spokesman in Arcata, Joe Wild, said Earth First! supports Proposition 130 because of its proposed ban on clear-cutting.

But at the Mendocino headquarters of the Redwood Summer demonstrations, office coordinator Lisa Bregger said Earth First! does not endorse the initiative, although most members probably hope it passes.

"What's more important to us is slowing down the logging today," Bregger said. "We appreciate the efforts of the people who are working to get this initiative passed. That's not our effort."

The group also denies any connection to bombing, and on the North Coast has denounced tree spiking as a method of protest.

Proposition 130, besides banning the removal of all trees from a forest area, would include \$710 million in bond money to buy old forests and \$32 million to compensate lumber workers.

The timber industry has a competing initiative, Proposition 134, which would restrict but not ban clear-cutting and would include \$300 million to buy redwood park land and plant urban trees.

Janni Taber, spokeswoman for

the yes-on-138 and no-on-130 campaigns, said she didn't know whether they would go to court to try to get the Earth First! name in the ballot pamphlet.

Taber provided a letterhead of Forests Forever, sponsor of an early version of the initiative, that listed the name of Earth First! founder David Foreman on the advisory council.

But McElroy said the Forests Forever version of the measure was never circulated and that Foreman was not connected to the sponsors of the current Proposition 130. Sponsors include the Sierra Club, the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Environmental Protection Information Center.

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Judge bars logging in old-growth forest

UKIAH — Environmentalists won a court order temporarily barring Louisiana-Pacific Corp. from logging an old-growth forest that has been a target of "Redwood Summer" protesters.

Seventeen other protesters were arrested yesterday in protests further north, near Eureka.

The order, issued Monday by Mendocino County Superior Court Judge James Luther, appeared to be the first under new state emergency regulations that bar logging that threatens the northern spotted owl.

Environmentalists have targeted the 110-acre Louisiana-Pacific logging operation in the Navarro Ridge area near Mendocino. Nearly 40 people were arrested there last week on trespassing charges.

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A summer of saving old-growth forests

By Rhona Mahony

SAVE an ancient forest on your summer vacation.

I just spent a week at Redwood Summer, the Northern California environmentalists' effort to save the old-growth redwood trees, their unique ecosystem and the small towns that depend on them. I found the work deeply satisfying, the base camp comfortable, the mixture of people fascinating and, most important, the effort getting results. Catch a plane, train, or automobile to Branscomb, in Mendocino County, spend two days or a week, and for the rest of your life you'll be glad you did.

I went to the demonstration at the Louisiana-Pacific mill in Willits on July 7. For three hours, we held banners and talked with locals, tourists and journalists about the value of intact ancient forests and the importance of sustainable yield logging in second-growth forests. Our theme that day was, "Sustainable yield means logging forever." The mood was calm and each of us learned something. Actions like this one are taking place every other day all summer long.

While I stayed at base camp, 65 other people were camping there. The kitchen crew served up three meals a day, porta-johns and a cool, clear swimming hole made it my plushiest camping experience ever.

Morale is high because the state Department of Forestry seems almost ready to rely on sound biology, instead of short-term profit statements, in considering timber companies' logging proposals. We celebrated two victories during my stay.

On July 6, the Forestry Department rejected Maxxam Inc.'s plan to cut in Headwaters Forest, a 2,900-acre tract of monumental redwoods and Douglas firs. The state said it stopped the plan because it threatened the marbled murrelet, a robin-sized seabird that nests in the tops of old-growth trees.

Then, on July 11, the Board of Forestry decided to review all timber harvest plans



in the state to make sure that they won't harm the northern spotted owl. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has declared the owl threatened, which means that the owl and its habitat are protected.

The state's review will probably reduce logging in Northern California's ancient forest by 35 percent. It will continue until the federal agencies write regulations protecting the owl.

Of course, Redwood Summer participants aren't working to save one or two birds. Logging already has eliminated 45 percent of the old-growth redwood forest. Forty-one vertebrate species depend on what's left to survive. They include the magnificent Roosevelt elk, the bald eagle, and my favorite, the red tree vole, a small mammal like a reddish-blond hamster that spends from birth to death at the top of an old-growth Douglas fir.

The great trees stabilize the soil and keep the streams clear. This service is crucial to cities like Santa Cruz, whose water supply comes from surface streams, and to salmon fishermen, whose catch has been severely reduced by deforestation. If we set aside the ancient forest and cut the second-growth trees at a sustainable rate, we save an irreplaceable ecosystem, we save our topsoil, streams and salmon, and we save the kind of job that everyone wants — a job that will last.

Voters will decide in November whether California should buy the privately owned old-growth stands. Redwood Summer's message is: Let the voters decide.

An amazing mixture of people have come to base camp. I met a grain merchandiser from Chicago, an avionics engineer from Missouri, a guy fresh out of the

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Air Force, members of traditional environmental groups like the California League of Conservation Voters and the Sierra Club, and people ranging in age from 5 to 60. Many had not been politically active before. Most had never taken part in an Earth First! event.

You can help out however you want: cook, drive shuttle cars, paint signs, restore silted-up streams or think seriously about whether you want to participate in civil disobedience. This weekend there will be training for a non-violent action to take place Monday in the Quaking Aspen Campground in Sequoia National Forest.

No chore is uncool. You'll get a pat on the back for however you contribute.

Redwood Summer is serious work. The pipe bomb that injured organizers Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney left a dark undercurrent. Staying committed to non-violence takes discipline. But imagine how you'll feel the day you take your daughter, or your grandson, into a grove of towering, 2,000-year-old redwoods and stand surrounded by the chatter of flying squirrels, spotted owls, goshawks and voles.

You'll be able to say, "I saved this forest. I saved it for you."

For information, call Mendocino Environmental Center, (707) 468-1660.

Rhona Mahony is a Stanford-based writer.



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Protesters on the streets of Fort Bragg on Saturday.

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EASTBAY IN BRIEF**FBI continues probe of Earth First bombing**

An FBI spokesman said yesterday that the agency is continuing an active investigation into the May 24 bombing of Earth First organizer Judi Bari's car.

"Our investigation is on-going. It's widespread," said Duke Diedrich, adding if anyone has information related to the bombing, the FBI is open and willing to receive it.

Diedrich said agents have been hampered in their two-month investigation by the reluctance of environmentalists to speak to them.

"They make these comments to the press about alleged threats (to Judi Bari), but they're not coming forward to us," he said.

Diedrich said the FBI still has not determined if any federal laws were broken in the bombing of Bari's car in Oakland. Bari and another Earth First organizer, Darryl Cherney, were injured in the incident.

Diedrich said possible federal laws involved include violation of Bari and Cherney's civil rights if it could be shown that the bomb was planted due to their outspokenness.

Any evidence of violation of California state laws uncovered by the FBI will be passed on to the Oakland Police Department, he said.

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Earth Firsters Protest Southern Sierra Logging

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Porterville, Tulare County

About 100 Earth First demonstrators hiked three miles to a remote logging site in Sequoia National Forest yesterday but found no loggers to confront as they engaged in minor acts of vandalism on heavy equipment.

Tulare County sheriff's deputies said there were no arrests and no serious vandalism.

An Earth First spokeswoman, Helpe Wilson, proclaimed the march and demonstration a victory in shutting down the logging operation — one aim of the radical group's "Redwood Summer" protests.

"They've shut down all logging sites for miles around in anticipation of our being here," Wilson said.

Executives for Sierra Forest Products Lumber Co. said they closed the logging site for the day to avoid a confrontation.

Earth First left its mark anyway by draping protest banners over road graders and logging equipment at the site.

The hike to the site took about an hour, with protesters often letting out whoops or chanting slo-

gans such as "Earth First, Profits Last" and "All We Are Saying Is Give Peace a Chance."

Along the way, some protesters let the air out of six tires in one load grader while others scattered logs and boulders across the dirt road.

A yarder, a machine used haul logs to access roads, was covered with branches and banners bearing slogans.

Several men, their faces obscured by bandannas, wound construction cable around the yarder and into the engine while a woman dressed as a spotted owl danced on another piece of equipment.

The demonstration was part of a weekend campout at Quaking Aspen, a remote area about 50 miles southeast of Visalia.

According to Earth First members, the aim of yesterday's demonstration was to publicize that logging is allowed in Sequoia and other national forests, not only on private lands.

Sequoia National Forest spokesman Lee Belau said that sequoias, cousins to the redwood, are not cut by companies that log in Sequoia. Mostly fir and pine trees are harvested, Belau said.

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Earth First vandalism in Sequoia

By Joe Bigham
The Associated Press

CAMP NELSON — Earth First demonstrators vandalized equipment and a road as they took their "Redwood Summer" anti-logging protest to Sequoia National Forest yesterday.

None of the logging machinery that protesters clambered on and decorated with banners and branches was destroyed.

But some of the estimated 100 people who hiked nearly an hour to reach the remote site let all the air out of six tires on a Caterpillar tractor parked across the road.

Other demonstrators wearing bandannas over their faces so they wouldn't be recognized found a thick cable on the ground and wrapped it around a yarder used to haul logs to the access road. They stuck one end of the cable inside the machinery near the engine.

Logs and boulders were rolled into the dirt road all along the three-mile stretch, creating a cleanup headache for lumber company workers.

The vandalism drew sharp criticism from the logging industry, which kept its employees out of the area to avoid a confrontation.

"Earth First's actions today were more about petty vandalism and political theater than responsible forest management," said Dave Fogarty of Californians for New Forestry.

Demonstrators declared their own victory because the local logger, Sierra Forest Products of Porterville, wasn't doing any harvesting yesterday.

"They've shut down all logging sites for miles around in anticipation of our being here," said Kelpie Wilson, an Earth First spokeswoman.

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The demonstration went forward even though other environmental groups, including the Sierra Club, reached an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service July 19 on the extent of logging that will be allowed in the Sequoia forest 150 miles northeast of Los Angeles.

Wilson said the Audubon Society and Earth First did not support that agreement which she charged "allows 20 percent more cut."

But Fogarty said the agreement, which settled a lawsuit, actually reduces the timber harvest by 25 percent.

He added that it also calls for a 70 percent reduction in clear-cutting on the Sequoia, a key target of Earth First.

And the agreement bans logging of Giant Sequoia trees, which were not being harvested anyway, Fogarty said.

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Timber industry gets Earth First label on Prop. 130

Ballot arguments against measure can cite group that isn't a supporter of it

By Jane Kay
EXAMINER ENVIRONMENTAL WRITER

Timber industry foes of "Forests Forever," a major logging reform initiative, have been partially successful in trying to dub it an Earth First initiative, even though the controversial eco-group doesn't support it.

References to Earth First and one of its California leaders, Darryl Cherney, can remain in the ballot arguments opposing Proposition 130 and favoring Prop. 138, the timber industry's competing initiative, Sacramento Superior Court Judge James Ford ruled last week.

Tuesday, attorneys representing the environmentalists and industry agreed on the final language in court.

Originally, the secretary of state said that organizations and individuals could not be named in ballot arguments. But Ford overruled that decision last week. He said he was allowing leeway under the First Amendment and that he considered ballot arguments part of campaign claims that had to be sorted out by the voters.

However, a timber industry coalition, Californians for New Forestry, was barred from calling Earth First a sponsor of the initiative in the ballot argument. The judge called it "false and misleading."

The ballot argument now reads: "Prop. 130 is supported by persons associated with the radical environmental group Earth First, noto-

rious for driving spikes into trees, vandalizing logging equipment and harassing timber workers and their families."

Also, it says that on CBS's "60 Minutes," "Earth First leader, Darryl Cherney, advocated terminally ill people should strap bombs to themselves and blow up dams, power plants and other structures they believe harm the environment."

A CBS staff member last week said the industry statement was unfair because it wasn't what Cherney had said when the show aired in March and June.

"Linking Proposition 130 with Earth First in any way is outrageous," said David Edelson, a senior attorney at the Natural Resources Defense Council. Other mainstream environmental groups have said linking Earth First to the measure is not only untrue but is a misleading tactic to make Prop. 130 appear a radical measure.

Prop. 130 was drafted by a coalition of environmentalists, including the NRDC and the Sierra Club. It calls for restructuring the California Board of Forestry to eliminate industry control, establishing a \$742 million bond fund to buy stands of ancient forest and a compensation fund for retraining unemployed loggers, and requiring the state to grow more forests.

Although some persons who support Earth First also back Prop. 130, the group says the measure violates its no-compromise standards by sacrificing some of the state's old growth to logging.

Backers of rival measure Prop. 138 — dubbed "Big Stump" by environmentalists — greeted the judge's decision as a public rela-

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tions victory.

Prop. 138 supporter Jerry Partain said, "we're fighting for the people's right to know that an ultra-radical environmental group that promotes and practices environmental terrorism" is backing Prop. 130.

In other action, Ford:

► Eliminated as "false and misleading" the timber industry's ballot argument that said Prop. 138 would expand redwood parks.

► Ruled that the group opposing Prop. 135, a farm industry initiative that would, among other things, expand the state program for monitoring pesticide residues in fruits and vegetables, cannot say in its ballot arguments that Prop. 135 is backed by the chemical industry. He said financial records show the chemical industry has not contributed to the initiative.

► Ruled that the potential fiscal impact of Prop. 128 — so-called "Big Green" — prepared by the legislative analyst did not adequately reflect the possible indirect costs. He ordered the summary to say the overall fiscal impact on indirect costs is unknown.

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Earth First Co-Founder Quitting to Start New Group

Associated Press

Tucson

The efforts of Earth First will continue despite the defection of one of the radical environmental group's co-founders, a group spokesman said.

Group co-founder Dave Foreman of Tucson said he is breaking away from the loosely knit organization, reportedly because it had gone too far to the left.

"It doesn't change a thing for us," said Dale Turner, assistant editor of the Earth First Journal,

which is published eight times a year in Tucson and has a nationwide circulation of about 15,000.

"Dave is the one who inspired me and lots of other people to get involved," Turner said Tuesday. "And for the national movement, I think Earth First lost its most eloquent voice. But Dave has not had an active leadership role in the Tucson group for years."

Foreman said he and other dissident members of the group next month will announce formation of an organization that is more concerned with "conservation biology

and the need for large ecological-wilderness preserves."

Foreman, 42, one of a group of environmentalists who founded Earth First in 1980, told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat earlier this week that the group's emerging leaders in California, including movement co-founder Mike Roselle of Berkeley and Judi Bari of Mendocino County, "have very different strategies."

"I'm still a conservative in that I don't like to see unthinking change occur," Foreman said.

Foreman, the author of a how-

to book on environmental sabotage, is one of four people facing criminal charges of conspiring to sabotage nuclear power and arms plants in Colorado, California and Arizona.

Roselle and Bari, who was injured when a car bomb exploded May 24 in Oakland, disagreed with Foreman's contention that the group was straying from purely environmental activities.

"We don't need Foreman in Earth First if he's going to be an unrepentant right-wing thug," Roselle said.

The conflict between Foreman and Roselle is but one sign of increasing dissension within Earth First. Many members of the group have argued among themselves about the scope of its activities and the methods used to achieve the group's objectives.

"Particularly, there are things being raised by the West Coast activists about the scope of what Earth First deals with," Turner said. "Some of those folks want to include more of a social activist agenda and bring in feminism, Na-

tive American rights, unionism and a whole variety of human social issues."

Turner, who acknowledged that his views are more in line with those of Foreman, said the disagreements will not stop the group's environmental activities.

"We, here at the Journal, have had some squabbles with some of the West Coast folks to some degree over these same issues — and those squabbles will continue," Turner said.

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Is FBI back to political sabotage?

By Judi Bari

On May 24 a car bomb exploded under my seat as I drove through Oakland. The attack followed a series of death threats against me and occurred as I was traveling to organize non-violent protests against overcutting of the redwood forest in Northern California.

My injuries are painful and severe and will leave me permanently crippled.

But the unspeakable terrorism of this ordeal did not end there. The FBI, working with the Oakland police, immediately concluded that I was responsible for the bombing myself. They attempted to charge me with the assassination attempt that nearly took my life.

WITHIN HOURS after the bombing they declared that my passenger, Darryl Cherney, and I were the only suspects. They based this on an FBI agent's statement that since the bomb was on the floor in the back seat of the car, we should have seen it and therefore we knew we were carrying it.

Later they admitted that the bomb was hidden well under the seat and could not have been seen. Nonetheless, Cherney and I were arrested.

During the next eight weeks the police and FBI raided my house twice and even pulled finishing nails from my window trim in a vain attempt to link me to nails found in the bomb.

Meanwhile, a local newspaper received a letter claiming credit for the bombing. The letter said the author wanted to kill me for my political activities and described the bomb in such detail that police had to admit that the writer had personal knowledge of it.

But instead of searching for the letter's author, the FBI concluded that the letter writer must be my accomplice, and Cherney and I remained the only suspects.

While I was in the hospital, too weak to respond, the police and FBI carried on a media campaign against me. Using selected leaks and innuendo, they continued to imply my guilt.

Yet the filing of charges against me was delayed twice, then finally dropped on July 18 for lack of evidence. In spite of this the FBI successfully damaged my reputation and discredited the non-violent movement I was helping to organize.

POLITICAL SABOTAGE of this nature is reminiscent of the activities the FBI engaged in during the 1960s under the name "Cointelpro." This program of covert operations was formally suspended in 1971 after the media revealed that the FBI had illegally disrupted legitimate movements for social change.

Congressional investigations established that the FBI's activities included a 10-year secret war against Dr. Martin Luther King, and court documents show that agents acted improperly in the murders of members of the Black Panther Party and the American Indian Movement.

The FBI agent in charge of investigating my case is Richard W. Held, who worked with Cointelpro. And although Cointelpro was formally suspended, a former agent, Wesley Swearingen, has said that its activities have continued.

The FBI admitted at a news conference that one of its agents, Michael Fain, set up Earth First activists for arrest in Arizona, and it has been widely reported that the bureau spent more than \$2 million to infiltrate and disrupt Earth First. Considering this history it seems wildly improper for the FBI to be conducting any investigation of the bombing attack on me in Oakland.

The reaction of the FBI to the bombing was so improper that a coalition of 50 environmental and women's groups, including the Sierra Club, the Audubon Society and the National Organization for Women, joined Rep. Ron Dellums in calling for a congressional investigation.

The House Judiciary subcommittee on civil and constitutional rights, headed by Rep. Don Edwards, has agreed to question the FBI about its handling of the case.

Earth First is not a terrorist organization, although the FBI has done its best to present us as one. If it can succeed in framing and discrediting us, then domestic dissent is not safe from government sabotage.

The right to advocate social change without fear of harassment is the cornerstone of a free society. We cannot allow ourselves to be manipulated by police agencies that have no respect for our democratic principles.

Judi Bari is an organizer with the environmental group Earth First. She is in hiding in Northern California. This article appeared in The New York Times.

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Humboldt Supervisor Says More Trees Were Spiked

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Humboldt County Supervisor Anna Sparks yesterday accused anti-logging demonstrators of tree-spiking and spreading nails on logging roads to sabotage trucks transporting timber.

Sparks showed a news conference nails she said were found this summer scattered on logging roads and in timber going through a mill.

Sparks said she believes that the nails were planted by environmentalists participating in a series of anti-logging Redwood Summer protests, but stopped short of saying the Redwood Summer organization sanctioned the incidents.

"You can't prove who's doing this," Sparks said.

Redwood Summer spokeswoman Jennifer Belgel denied the group's responsibility for planting the nails. The road to the Redwood

Summer base camp also has been littered with nails, Belgel said, suggesting that both sides are the targets of saboteurs.

Sparks and Candace Boak, founder of the pro-timber industry group Mother's Watch, urged the group to cancel its three-day finale protest this weekend near Ferndale.

"They have made their point. They've gotten it across that they are opposed to cutting down redwoods," Sparks said.

Redwood Summer has staged dozens of protests this summer, ranging in size from a handful of demonstrators to as many as 1,500 protesters who gathered at Fort Bragg.

Sparks said it will cost the county an estimated \$406,000 to prosecute 145 demonstrators arrested so far on charges including trespassing and resisting arrest.

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Earth First! activist is still a suspect

By Linda Goldston
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Six months after a car bomb exploded beneath Earth First! organizer Judi Bari, maiming her for life, authorities have refused to rule out Bari as a suspect but admit that they're also looking at "four or five" others.

No charges have been filed in connection with the controversial case, though shortly after the May 24 bombing in Oakland, police had

said charges were imminent against Bari and activist Darryl Cherney, a passenger in her car.

The investigation is ongoing. "The scope is much broader than initially anticipated," said FBI spokesman Duke Diedrich. "At this time, we're not saying one way or another whether we consider Bari and Cherney as targets or transporters of the device."

He would not say who the other suspects are, or why the investigation had broadened.

Nor would Oakland Police Lt. Mike Sims, who said that investigators have "looked at other people, a total of four to five others." He said Bari and Cherney "haven't been eliminated as suspects."

For now, Bari has moved to a rustic cabin in the redwoods of Mendocino County, where she continues to mend as much as possible from a shattered pelvis doctors once feared would keep her from

ever walking again.

"It's really astounding that after all this that somebody could still consider me a suspect," Bari, 41, said this week.

Her two daughters, ages 5 and 9, are having trouble sleeping at night after what happened to their mother, Bari said. She says she has returned to activism on a small scale and is considering offers from two movie producers for the

rights to her life story.

Cherney, who has been touring college campuses off and on since the bombing with an Earth First! "road show," could not be reached for comment. Cherney, who suffered a scratched cornea during the blast, was treated and released.

The bombing occurred on the eve of Redwood Summer, a series of protests aimed at slowing logging on the North Coast. Bari had received numerous death threats before the bombing and, along with her daughters, had been injured last year after her car was rammed by a logging truck in Mendocino County.

The Willits Police Department began its own investigation of the car bombing this fall after Bari received two new threats in connection with the planned move to her cabin near the logging town above Ukiah.

"We're still working on it, but the information we were receiving has slowed down considerably," Willits Police Chief Robert Foster said Wednesday.

After the bombing, Bari spent seven weeks in Oakland's Highland Hospital. Doctors were unsure if she would walk again because of paralysis in her right leg and the extensive damage to her pelvis; but recently she has been able to take a few steps and has substituted crutches for her wheelchair.

A deep wound near her tailbone, where she was impaled on a car spring after the bombing, has yet to heal.

"My endurance is limited and I still get laid flat by bouts of pain, but I'm really pleased that activists are still organizing actions (against the logging companies)

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whether I participate or not," Bari said. "We still have out-of-town corporations stripping resources, and I hope people wake up to that fact."

Bari, who is aided by an attendant who lives with her, said she finally has been able to sleep more than a few hours at a time but is returning to activism slowly.

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Environmentalists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were injured in May when a bomb exploded in Bari's car. She's frightened and in pain but continuing her fight to save North Coast redwoods. BY CHRIS STEWART/THE CHRONICLE

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"She was targeted because she brings workers and environmentalists together," says Cherney. "The last person who did that was Chico Mendes, and before that Karen Silkwood." Mendes, who defended the Brazilian rain forest, was blasted with a shotgun, and Silkwood, the plutonium plant whistle-blower, died when her car

ran off the road under suspicious circumstances.

Bari almost followed them last May with Cherney riding along in her station wagon. They were on the fourth day of a concert swing to build enthusiasm for Redwood Summer, a planned gathering in Humboldt County that was to do for the redwoods in the '90s what the freedom riders did for civil rights in the '60s. The duo would give a pep talk, sing a few songs — she on fiddle, he on guitar — and college kids would bag their summer jobs to head north and save trees.

That was the day's plan when they left Oakland for the University of California at Santa Cruz. Bari is normally a cautious driver, "real slow and steady," she says. But she was following another motorist in a hurry, which required a hard lane change followed by an abrupt stop.

The car jerked, which she believes triggered the pipe bomb explosion that shattered her life.

"My first thought was, 'Oh, no, not again,'" she says.

A logging truck had run her previous car off the road in Philo the summer before. Bari's two young daughters, Lisa, now 10, and Jessica, 5, were also in the accordion wreckage. They all suffered concussions, whiplash and glass cuts, and Bari suffered a sprained back.

"The most violent experience I'd ever had, and this was 20 times that: I felt an indescribable violence rip through my body with a

ON STAGE

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Judi Bari (with Darryl Cherney) can barely hobble around her ramshackle cabin near Willits.

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Wanted to Die

Cherney, with two shattered eardrums and a scratched cornea, glanced across at her wrecked figure and "made the decision you weren't going to die," he says.

"You overpowered me again," she says. They laugh and embrace. "It took me a long time to be any more than ambiguous about being alive."

Three hours after the crash, they were arrested and charged as the only suspects in their own bombing. A few days later she was transferred from intensive care at Highlands Hospital to the jail ward.

"To have to face the prospect of spending my children's formative years in jail was nearly as bad as the bombing," she says.

The Alameda County district attorney's office found insufficient evidence to file charges. Bari and Cherney, in turn, found the whole ordeal so frightening and preposterous that they are filing a suit of their own against the FBI and Oakland police for violating their civil rights.

For one thing, she says, the bomb was a time and motion device that requires a sudden stop or turn to trigger.

"It seems highly unlikely that someone would transport a bomb triggered by a motion device beneath their own seat," she says.

Her daughter Lisa came to the hospital, and Bari told her she was giving up her militant activism. Other people would assume charge — the price to her family was too dear.

"The movement could get along without one person," she reasoned, "but I wanted to live for my children." Lisa had a contrary idea. "She wanted me to continue," says Bari. "She said she waited to have a world to grow up in."

Return Home

Bari was released from the hospital in July. After hiding out for six weeks, she returned to Mendocino County in September.

Cherney had run an ad in the Earth First newsletter seeking a "free place to live." He received three solicitations, which may say something about either the movement's camaraderie or its contempt for capitalism.

He took another spot in Garberville, and she the isolated Willits shack (with no water or electricity) so her daughters could be near a public school in a one-room log cabin.

A carpenter is remodeling her shack into an 800-square-foot cabin, with "recycled, guilt-free lumber," Bari is careful to point out. She is adding indoor plumbing and hot water so they don't have to mooch showers from their landlord. "I try to make it as funky as possible," says the carpenter, Jim Gibbons. "That's the rule."

Bari remains mostly housebound, working the telephone, which starts ringing as soon as her girls are packed off to school. She estimates her workload is a quarter of what it was, "which is still more than anybody else," says Cherney. "Kind of like Joe Namath with bad knees."

She approaches her car and, if the kids aren't around, checks beneath the seat for bombs — a nervous reaction like checking the closet at bedtime for an ax-wielding murderer.

"It's like getting butterflies in your stomach, but they won't go away." If the children are around, she acts as if nothing is troubling her. "I have to put up a facade for the kids," she says. "I can't show them how absolutely petrified I am because it will scare them too much."

Six hours from Willits to San Francisco and back makes for a long trip for someone who can't sit upright for very long. She will lie down in the back while Cherney drives.

"If somebody would have asked me, 'Would I give up my life to the movement?' I would have said, 'Wait until my kids are grown up,'" she says. "But to give up now means the bombing worked and they may as well have killed me."

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"She was targeted because she brings workers and environmentalists together," says Cherney. "The last person who did that was Chico Mendes, and before that Karen Silkwood." Mendez, who defended the Brazilian rain forest, was blasted with a shotgun, and Silkwood, the plutonium plant whistle-blower, died when her car ran off the road under suspicious circumstances.

Bari almost followed them last May with Cherney riding along in her station wagon. They were on the fourth day of a concert swing to build enthusiasm for Redwood Summer, a planned gathering in Humboldt County that was to do for the redwoods in the '90s what the freedom riders did for civil rights in the '60s. The duo would give a pep talk, sing a few songs — she on fiddle, he on guitar — and college kids would bag their summer jobs to head north and save trees.

That was the day's plan when they left Oakland for the University of California at Santa Cruz. Bari is normally a cautious driver, "real slow and steady," she says. But she was following another motorist in a hurry, which required a hard lane change followed by an abrupt stop.

The car jerked, which she believes triggered the pipe bomb explosion that shattered her life.

"My first thought was, 'Oh, no, not again,'" she says.

A logging truck had run her previous car off the road in Philo the summer before. Bari's two young daughters, Lisa, now 10, and Jessica, 5, were also in the accordion wreckage. They all suffered concussions, whiplash and glass cuts, and Bari suffered a sprained back.

"The most violent experience I'd ever had, and this was 20 times that. I felt an indescribable violence rip through my body with a

"You overpowered me again," she says. They laugh and embrace. "It took me a long time to be any more than ambiguous about being alive."

Three hours after the crash, they were arrested and charged as the only suspects in their own bombing. A few days later she was transferred from intensive care at Highlands Hospital to the jail ward.

"To have to face the prospect of spending my children's formative years in jail was nearly as bad as the bombing," she says.

The Alameda County district attorney's office found insufficient evidence to file charges. Bari and Cherney, in turn, found the whole ordeal so frightening and preposterous that they are filing a suit of their own against the FBI and Oakland police for violating their civil rights.

For one thing, she says, the bomb was a time and motion device that requires a sudden stop or turn to trigger.

"It seems highly unlikely that someone would transport a bomb triggered by a motion device beneath their own seat," she says.

Her daughter Lisa came to the hospital, and Bari told her she was giving up her militant activism. Other people would assume charge — the price to her family was too dear.

"The movement could get along without one person," she reasoned, "but I wanted to live for my children." Lisa had a contrary idea. "She wanted me to continue," says Bari. "She said she wanted to have a world to grow up into."

Return Home

Bari was released from the hospital in July. After hiding out for six weeks, she returned to Mendocino County in September.

Cherney had run an ad in the Earth First newsletter seeking a "free place to live." He received three solicitations, which may say something about either the movement's camaraderie or its contempt for capitalism.

He took another spot in Garberville, and she the isolated Willits shack (with no water or electricity) so her daughters could be near a public school in a one-room log cabin.

A carpenter is remodeling her shack into an 800-square-foot cabin, with "recycled, guilt-free lumber," Bari is careful to point out. She is adding indoor plumbing and hot water so they don't have to mooch showers from their landlord. "I try to make it as funky as possible," says the carpenter, Jim Gibbons. "That's the rule."

Bari remains mostly housebound, working the telephone, which starts ringing as soon as her girls are packed off to school. She estimates her workload is a quarter of what it was, "which is still more than anybody else," says Cherney, "kind of like Joe Namath with bad knees."

She approaches her car and, if the kids aren't around, checks beneath the seat for bombs — a nervous reaction like checking the closet at bedtime for an ax-wielding murderer.

"It's like getting butterflies in your stomach, but they won't go away." If the children are around, she acts as if nothing is troubling her. "I have to put up a facade for the kids," she says. "I can't show them how absolutely petrified I am because it will scare them too much."

Six hours from Willits to San Francisco and back makes for a long trip for someone who can't sit upright for very long. She will lie down in the back while Cherney drives.

"If somebody would have asked me, 'Would I give up my life to the movement?' I would have said, 'Wait until my kids are grown up,'" she says. "But to give up now means the bombing worked and they may as well have killed me."

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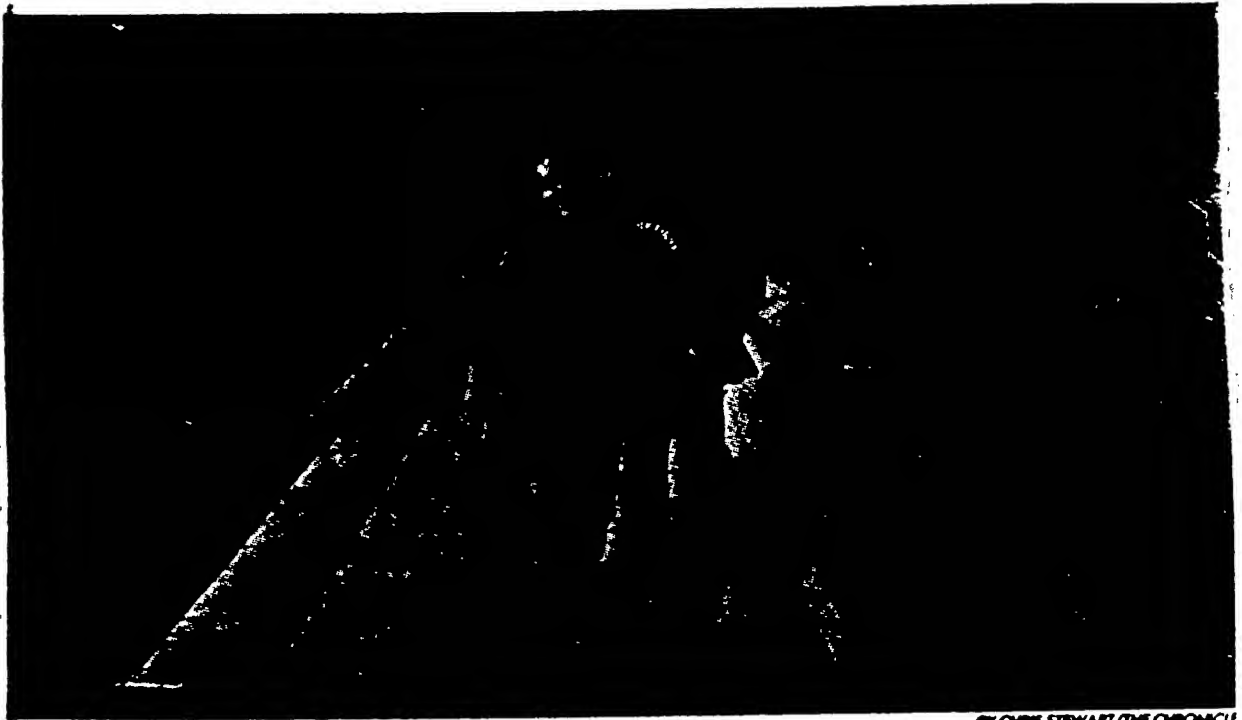
John Berard Derry, Cherney will lecture and perform at 8:15 p.m. Friday at the New Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez Street, San Francisco. Also in the program is political scientist Dave

level of pain I didn't know existed, to the point that I wanted to die," she says.

"I knew that my body was ruined. I tried to think of my kids, but the pain was so great that I couldn't, and I decided it was time to let go. It was a very peaceful feeling."

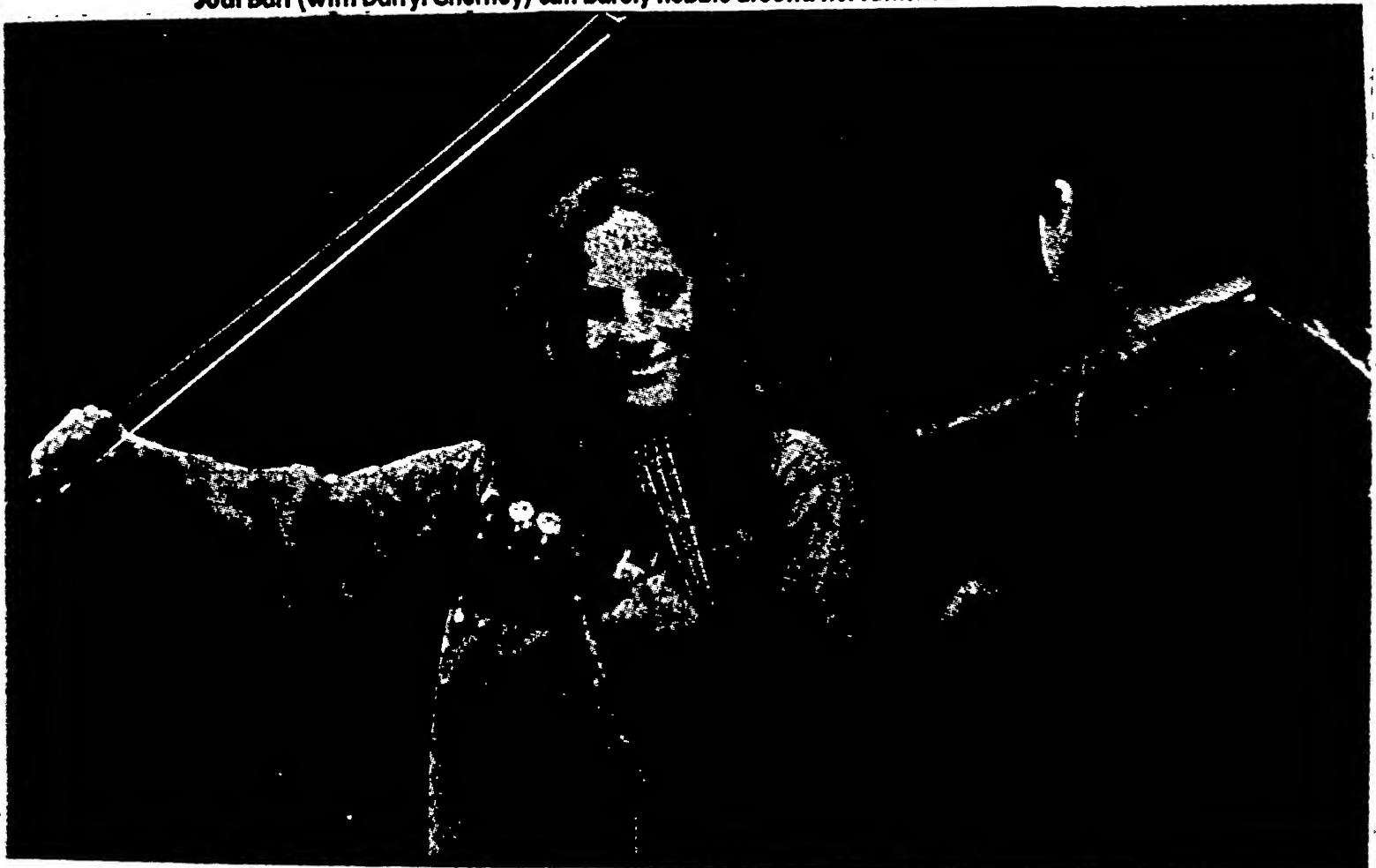
Wanted to Die

Cherney, with two shattered eardrums and a scratched cornea, glanced across at her wrecked figure and "made the decision you weren't going to die," he says.



BY CHRIS STEWART/THE CHRONICLE

Judi Bari (with Darryl Cherney) can barely hobble around her ramshackle cabin near Willits.



BY CHRIS STEWART/THE CHRONICLE

Environmentalists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney were injured in May when a bomb exploded in Bari's car. She's frightened and in pain but continuing her fight to save North Coast redwoods.

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Activists return to scene of car bombing

By Robert J. Lopez
The Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO — Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, injured last May when a car bomb exploded in Oakland, returned to the Bay Area last night for the first time since the controversial incident, which mushroomed into a national news story.

"I'm intimidated, but I have to keep trying," said Bari, hobbling behind stage before she and Cherney performed folk songs before a standing-room-only

crowd of more than 200 people at the Noc Valley Ministry. Bari played fiddle while Cherney accompanied her on acoustic guitar.

The pipe bomb that exploded on May 24 in front of Oakland High shattered Bari's pelvis, leaving her crippled for life. Cherney suffered eye and head injuries but has recovered.

Bari, 41, once an avid hiker and holder of a brown belt in Tai Chi, now lives in constant pain.

She is able to hobble for only short distances at a time.

"I'm always in pain," she said last night. "My bones and my pelvis don't meet where they're supposed to."

The explosion thrust Earth First — a small group of hardcore environmentalists who advocate civil disobedience, equipment sabotage and tree spiking — into national prominence. To some, they were heroes bent on saving the ancient Redwoods. To others they were "eco-terrorists" out to disrupt the lumber industry at all costs.

Today, nearly nine months to the day the bomb ripped through

Cherney's Subaru, the main question in the celebrated case is still unanswered: Who set the bomb?

"Right now, it remains an open case," said homicide Lt. Mike Sims, the officer who headed the Oakland Police Department's probe of the bombing.

He said yesterday that Bari and Cherney are still the primary suspects, but added that investigators "haven't closed the door" on the theory that someone else could be responsible.

The two environmental activists, however, scoff at the notion that police and the FBI would consider anyone else responsible.

"They have considered us the only suspects since Minute 1," Cherney said.

"That's been the whole horrible thing — police have refused to investigate the real would-be killers."

Cherney said evidence uncovered by his own attorney and independent investigators has narrowed the list of suspects to several Earth First opponents. Among them are the owner of a Mendocino County logging company, and a well-known conservative politico in Sonoma County.

Bari, meanwhile, maintains she and Cherney are the victims of a smear campaign orchestrated by the FBI, which has used the bombing to portray Earth First as a terrorist organization.

"I just think the FBI are terrorists," Bari said. "What they did to us is the same thing they did to the Black Panthers, the American Indian movement and the Independistas in Puerto Rico."

Barbara Madden, a spokeswoman at the FBI office in San Francisco, yesterday declined to discuss the issue, saying only that the case remains under investigation.

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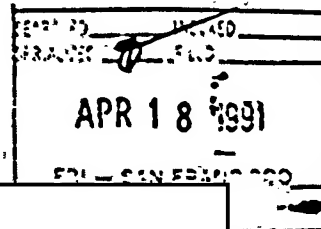
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Those investigating the bombing acknowledge that the true story may never be uncovered. Under federal law, the case could remain open for up to five years until the statute of limitations takes effect.

"I like to be optimistic and think it will be solved eventually," Sims said. But "it's going to take the right piece of information from the right person."

Meantime, Cherney said, he plans to meet with several attorneys who are interested in filing a civil rights lawsuit against the Oakland police and the FBI.

Meanwhile, Cherney and Bari vow to continue their struggle to protect the once-abundant Pacific Northwest timberland.



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Earth First car bombing still a puzzle

BY CAROLYN NEWBERGH AND PAUL GRABOWICZ/OAKLAND TRIBUNE STAFF WRITERS

It's a case with a list of suspects that would befuddle Agatha Christie and a trail of clues that disappears into the redwood forests of California's North Coast.

Since a pipe bomb exploded a year ago in the car of radical Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney while they were driving through Oakland, FBI agents, Oakland homicide detectives, Willits police, a private investigator for Earth First and most recently a public television documentary team have scoured that trail.

Today, however, they all say they may be no closer to solving the baffling and bizarre case than at the time of the bombing.

"The fact this bombing hasn't been solved and

we're going into another logging season is really frightening to me and to my children," said Bari, 41, whose pelvis was shattered

by the pipe bomb that exploded under her car seat on May 24.

Bari, who now walks with a limp, lives in seclusion in a small, four-room home in the middle of a hippie encampment deep in the woods of Mendocino County.

She has become a martyr in the radical environmental cause and believes an irate logger, probably with the complicity of law enforcement, targeted her because of her campaign to halt clear-cutting of ancient redwoods in the North Coast.

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But she and others also point the finger at crazed Christian evangelists, spurned ex-lovers of Earth First activists, police informants or Bari's enemies on the fringes of the environmental movement.

"I hesitate to say one theory is best. It's the theory-of-the-week club," said Cherney, 34, a folk-singer who has written a song, "Who Killed Judi Bari?" that ticks off a long list of suspects.

Bari and Cherney have not been ruled out by authorities as suspects in the case.

The day after the bombing, Oakland police arrested the pair, saying they were transporting the bomb when it accidentally exploded. But prosecutors declined to charge them, citing insufficient evidence.

Bari, who lives surrounded by nighttime bodyguards, an alarm system, "Mo" the guard dog and a network of neighbors watchful of strangers, bristles at any suggestion she might still be considered a suspect.

"The simple facts of the case make it the most ridiculous thing in the world that it could be my bomb," Bari said. "... That's been discredited from 500 different points. That anyone would give it credibility is preposterous."

In the north country, where tensions abated at the end of last year's "Redwood Summer" anti-logging campaign initiated by Bari, fear is on the rise again.

Bari said her Earth First group is planning a new, smaller-scale round of protests against the logging companies this summer. That could prove explosive in an area where many timber workers have lost their jobs because of new environmental restraints on logging.

"I'm fearful it might get a little violent because they (loggers) are pushed to the edge now," said Mendocino County Sheriff's Lt. Jay Miller.

In the Bay Area, Earth First plans a demonstration on the anniversary of the bombing this Friday at the FBI's San Francisco office to protest the bureau's alleged cover-up of the case.

Bari also has filed a legal claim against Oakland police, saying they falsely arrested and defamed her. The city has denied the claim, and Bari said she now plans to file a lawsuit.

Authorities deny Bari's charges but decline to discuss specifics of the case because it is still under investigation.

"We are going to refuse to engage in any polemics with any group," said Oakland police Capt. Jim Hahn.

Asked if Bari and Cherney are still suspects, Hahn said, "At this point in the investigation there is no information ... that has caused us to delete anyone from our list of suspects."

"In our opinion there's been no wrongdoing on the part of the FBI," said bureau spokesperson Barbara Madden, who declined comment on suspects in the case.

U.S. Rep. Don Edwards, D-San Jose, who chairs a congressional subcommittee on civil rights and was asked by Earth First to review the FBI's handling of the case, said, "I can't say I am entirely satisfied by the FBI's actions in the case, but it appears the FBI did actively investigate it ... We are not pursuing the matter further at this point."

Bari, who has been nominated by ecologists for a national environmental prize and has sold the option to her story to a Hollywood producer, remains bitter over the initial police portrayal of her and Cherney as violent terrorists.

During an interview with the Oakland Tribune last week, Bari insisted on having her picture taken with her two young daughters. She said she wanted to counteract a photo published in newspapers shortly after the bombing that showed her holding an Uzi submachine gun.

"I want people to know who I am. If they see me with my kids, they will know I couldn't bomb myself," Bari said.

Bari also said she plans to continue her efforts to build bridges

to the timber workers, who generally have viewed Earth First as a ragtag band of unemployed hippies trying to deprive them of a livelihood.

"You see them out in the woods harassing people. They're really scary. They act like wild animals sometimes," said Steve Okerstrom, owner of a Mendocino County logging company.

Bari said she is sympathetic to the plight of rank-and-file timber workers, many of whom have recently lost their jobs. She blames that on massive clear-cutting that has depleted the forests.

As she talked about the layoffs, one of her daughters quipped, "Now you can tell the loggers to go get a job."

Bari laughs and quickly adds, "I think we need to be sensitive to the economic devastation here."

Bari also pledged that this summer's protests will again reject the clandestine acts of sabotage against logging equipment that had been Earth First's trademark.

"Sabotage is real inappropriate here and now," she said.

Instead, her Earth First group is planning a forest restoration project and has been renamed Ecotopia Earth First after a 1970s novel urging the secession of the Pacific Northwest from the rest of the country.

Despite some cloudy statements on the issue of violence in the past — she once said, "Just as we mothers know we would kill to protect our children, I think I would do whatever I had to do to protect the Earth" — she is adamant that she is committed to non-violence.

"In my entire 20-year (activist) history I have not been the perpetrator of violence," said Bari, whose political involvement has ranged from being a student radical and rank-and-file union organizer to stints in groups opposing nuclear power, land development and U.S. policy in Central America.

Although she says she now lives in fear because of last year's bombing, she vows to continue her activism.

Recently, when people in the small town where she lives promoted a yellow ribbon campaign for American soldiers returning from the Persian Gulf War, Bari was one of the leaders of an effort to hang black ribbons opposing U.S. policy.

"I've unfortunately become a symbol and if I back down, it's the movement backing down, and if I stand up, the movement stands up," she said.



Earth First activist Judi Bari in the woods on her property in Willits.

By Gary Reyes/Oakland Tribune



File photo

Wreckage of Judi Bari's car after the bombing.



By Gary Reyes/Oakland Tribune

Judi Bari takes care of Earth First business in kitchen of her home in Willits.

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Earth First car bombing case still a whodunit

by Paul Grabowicz
and Carolyn Newbergh
Illinois staff writers

Finding the culprit in the Earth First car bombing case is like playing the old who-done-it board game of Clue.

Was it Col. Mustard in the library with a pipe?

Or Mr. Green in the conservatory with a monkey wrench?

"There are so many people who could have done this," said Steve Talbot, a film producer who spent six months dogging the case for a documentary to air this Friday on public television station KQED.

"I don't have the definitive answer, I don't know who did it.

"I definitely know we have come up with some new evidence," said Talbot, adding he will single out one person who deserves further police scrutiny.

Law enforcement officials, including police in the small town of Willits where an anonymous letter writer claimed he planted

the pipebomb that exploded in Oakland, say they have spent hundreds of hours checking out suspects and leads and have come up empty. They say the case may never be solved unless someone on the inside of the bombing caper comes forward.

"We've pretty much come to a little bit of a slowdown on it," said Willits Police Chief Robert Foster. "We still don't know who did it and we're still interested in any information that folks might be able to provide."

A bounty of suspected bombers has surfaced thus far:

Deranged fundamentalist

■ A week after the May 24 bombing, an anonymous letter writer calling himself the Lord's Avenger said he put the bomb in Earth First activist Judi Bari's car because she led a 1988 pro-abortion demonstration.

Because the avenger accurately described the bomb, inves-

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tigators are convinced he was involved. But his claim he planted it when Bari's car was across the street from the Willits Police Department is implausible, and many religious experts say the letter reads like a caricature of a Christian fundamentalist.

That has led to speculation the bomber made up the letter to cover his true identity and motive. Authorities have interviewed fundamentalists and others who were at the abortion rally, and have found nothing linking them to the bombing.

An angry logger

■ In the two months before the bombing, Bari received a volley of phone and mail death threats because of her anti-logging work. Police have interviewed several loggers. Earth First members claim made menacing statements or put out a contract on Bari. But no evidence has surfaced tying them to the bombings or substantiating the contract claim.

Police informant

■ Bari is suspicious of several people on the fringes of Earth First who she believes were police or timber company "infiltrators."

Bari says one person tricked her into posing for a picture holding an Uzi submachinegun and then sent police the photo, offering to be an informant. The person since has disappeared, said Earth First activist Darryl Cherney, who was in Bari's car when the bomb exploded.

Bari and Cherney say the incident with the informant is similar to the FBI's infamous "COINTELPRO" program of the early 1970s that targeted leftist groups with dirty tricks campaigns and infiltrators.

The FBI has adamantly denied any impropriety in the bombing case, and police offi-

cials and even critics of the bureau said reforms in the FBI and constant congressional oversight make it highly unlikely this was a dirty tricks operation.

Earth First extremist

■ The month before the bombing, Bari led an effort to get her Earth First group to reject clandestine "monkeywrenching" tactics like the spiking of trees to prevent logging.

"I have gotten majorly trashed in Earth First for renouncing tree spiking," Bari said, and it is possible one of her opponents decided to retaliate.

Bari said that scenario was "unlikely. I can't say there was no chance though."

Ex-Lover

■ Before the bombing, several people in Earth First were involved in bitter break-ups of relationships. Police and some in Earth First have speculated one of the spurned lovers struck back.

But the ex-lovers either had no history of violence, appeared to have overcome their bitter feelings before the bombing or oth-

erwise have been discounted by police as suspects in the case.

Bari and Cherney

■ Authorities have not ruled out their initial theory that Bari and Cherney were transporting the bomb when it accidentally blew up.

The Uzi photo, ambiguous past statements by the pair about supporting violence and some acts of sabotage by people linked to Earth First just before the bombing have fed that suspicion.

Bari and Cherney have angrily retorted they were the two main proponents of nonviolence in Earth First. It makes no sense they would be involved in a bombing, they say, especially in this case where the bomb was an anti-personnel device.

People who know the pair say Cherney is terrified of weapons and violence and Bari, who has two young daughters, would never carry a bomb in her car, let alone under her own seat.

"People who have worked with me across the board believe in my innocence," Bari said.

"You might say I'm too radical (but) I'm not stupid. A single mother of children like this wouldn't do it."

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Year later, Earth First bombing probe at dead end

Victims angry that cops, FBI still view them as suspects

By Seth Rosenfeld
OF THE EXAMINER STAFF

One year after the FBI and Oakland police named two Earth First leaders as prime suspects in a bomb blast that destroyed their car, injured them and triggered lingering countercharges that law enforcement officials were unfairly blaming the victims, authorities have made little progress in solving the controversial case.

Oakland police Lt. Mike Sims said the investigation of the bombing last May in Oakland is open, but "it's been a while" since there was any new evidence and "no new theories have come up."

"It's pretty much come to a standstill," said Sims, who supervised Oakland's role in the probe. "When we get a lead we check it out."

Sims said Oakland police and the FBI still view Earth First leaders Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney as suspects, although the Alameda County district attorney's office

has said there isn't sufficient evidence to charge them. FBI spokeswoman Barbara Madden said the investigation remains open, but declined to discuss details or identify suspects.

Susan B. Jordan, one of Bari's lawyers in Ukiah, said it was "absurd" to suspect Bari and Cherney. "If they had anything, they would have charged them," she said.

Rep. Don Edwards, D-San Jose, meanwhile, said that based on his inquiry to the FBI about its role in the case, he has concluded the FBI and the Oakland police "prematurely" focused on Bari and Cherney as suspects, and that as a result the bureau "very seriously" damaged their reputations.

"I can't say that I am entirely satisfied by the FBI's actions in the case, but it appears the FBI did actively investigate the bombing," said Edwards, a former FBI agent who chairs the House Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights. "I'm not sure how active the case is now."

Bari's lawyers say the FBI and the Oakland police have shown little interest in the case since an Alameda County district attorney declined to charge her and Cherney with the bombing last July.

"It was dropped like a hot potato," said Jordan.

Said Bari: "There is no investigation whatsoever, and there never was, except to frame me. They focused the whole investigation on the foregone conclusion that I was the bomber."

Sims denied investigators tried to frame the Earth First leaders.

Bari and Cherney were riding in her white Subaru station wagon on May 24, 1990, near East 34th Street and Park Boulevard when the blast blew out the windshield and a rear door of the car, which careened into a curb in a cloud of debris.

Bari, 41, of Mendocino County, was hospitalized for 10 days with a broken pelvis that has led to per-

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manent disabilities. Cherney, 35, also of Mendocino County, received cuts on his face.

The two had been driving to Santa Cruz to recruit students for "Redwood Summer" protests to block logging trucks and fight cutting of ancient trees in Northern California.

A decade of activism

Founded in 1980, Earth First describes itself as the nation's most radical environmental group. Inspired by the late Edward Abbey's novels about "monkeywrenching" — sabotaging development to save the environment — Earth First prefers dramatic civil disobedience to lobbying and letter writing. The loosely organized group has said it opposes violence to living things.

Earth First's aggressive stance drew attention from utility companies, the FBI and other law enforcement agencies, including the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Park Police, soon after its founding, according to FBI documents obtained by The Examiner under the federal Freedom of Information Act.

The documents show that the FBI investigated a Berkeley member of Earth First for extortion in 1982, after he sent to Interior Secretary James Watt a note warning that any "activities we deem detrimental to the environment ... will be followed by civil disobedience."

The U.S. attorney's office in Denver declined the FBI's request to prosecute the man in 1983, saying the letter "contains no specific threat to secretary Watt" and did not violate laws against extortion, the illegal use of fear to gain some-

thing from an individual.

Beth Stephens, an attorney with the Center for Constitutional Rights, a New York-based public interest law firm, said the FBI overreacted to the case by treating the vow of protests against government policy as a crime.

Cherney co-founded the Garberville chapter in 1986, and Bari joined it in 1988. The chapter renounced placing metal spikes in trees to discourage loggers in April 1990. But its protests had angered some loggers and local residents, and Bari had received several death threats, some just weeks before the blast.

Released from the hospital the night of the bombing, Cherney told police he thought someone had tried to kill Bari and him.

But within 24 hours of the explosion, police obtained a search warrant for Bari's home, searched a home where Bari and Cherney had stayed in Berkeley, and arrested them on suspicion of transporting explosives: a 2-inch-diameter pipe bomb loaded with nails as an "anti-personnel" weapon.

In comments to the press and in court records, investigators revealed three main theories against Bari and Cherney.

► The seat theory: The day after the blast, Oakland police said the bomb had been on the car's rear floor, under a guitar case, indicating Bari and Cherney were transporting it and it accidentally exploded. Had others planted it, police reasoned, they would have put it under the front seat.

Bari claimed damage to her pelvis suggested the bomb was under the seat. Oakland Sgt. Mike Sitterud later acknowledged to reporters the bomb may have been "a little more under the seat than when the FBI first examined it."

► The nails theory: Police said that moments after the blast they found a bag of nails in the car that matched nails taped to the bomb, suggesting Bari and Cherney built the device. A bomb expert in the FBI's International/Domestic Terrorism Squad said the nails were "identical."

► Police also said FBI tests

showed nails on the bomb also matched nails found in window frames of Bari's home. "This is the most significant evidence yet," Sitterud told reporters.

Bari's supporters said there were countless similar nails.

► The letter theory: San Francisco FBI officials said in late May they were taking "very seriously" a letter sent to the Santa Rosa Press Democrat, signed by someone identified as "The Lord's Avenger," claiming responsibility for the car bomb and an earlier blast at a Sonoma County lumber mill.

The author, between Bible quotes, accurately detailed both bombs. Police returned to Bari's home and took typewriting samples that might link Bari to both bombings and the letter.

Bari denied the connections, and her attorney said investigators never shared the results of the typewriter tests.

In addition, an Oakland officer said in court records that based on the joint FBI-police probe he believed Bari and Cherney were members of "a violent terrorist group involved in the manufacture and placing of explosive devices."

Insufficient evidence

Bari's supporters said investigators mistakenly viewed Earth First as a terrorist group and that this biased their probe.

After reviewing all the evidence, Alameda County Deputy District Attorney Chris Carpenter on July 17 decided there was insufficient evidence to prove criminal charges against Bari and Cherney.

Carpenter said last week that investigators have brought no new evidence to him since then. He said police suspected Bari and Cherney partly because other Earth First members in Arizona, including founder Dave Foreman, are facing charges of destroying power lines, and partly because in many unrelated cases people injured by bombs are the ones who made or transported them.

Bari said that, although FBI agents interviewed a few people in Mendocino County in August, they have since dropped the case.

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Earth First Leaders Sue Authorities Over Oakland Blast

Police accused of not looking for bomber

By Elliot Dringer
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A year after being labeled suspects in their own bombing, two leaders of the radical environmental group Earth First went to court yesterday in hopes of clearing their names and compelling authorities to track down the real culprit.

Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, who were injured by a car bomb last May 24 in Oakland, filed suit in U.S. District Court in San Francisco accusing federal and local investigators of smearing them with false evidence while conducting only a " cursory" probe of the bombing.

The suit asks that lead responsibility for the federal investigation be shifted from the FBI to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and that Bari and Cherney be declared "victims of the bombing, and not suspects."

It also seeks \$3.3 million in damages from a host of police agencies and \$14 million from the unknown bomber, named in court papers as "Doe V."

"What we'd really like is an apology," said attorney Bill Simich, who filed the suit on behalf of the two North Coast environmentalists. "But that's probably the hardest thing to get."

Handling of the Case

Spokesmen for the Oakland police and FBI defended their handling of the case as thorough and unbiased.

Bari, 41, and Cherney, 34, were on a promotional tour for Redwood Summer, a series of anti-log-

ging protests on the North Coast, when a powerful pipe bomb tore through their car, causing minor injuries to Cherney and leaving Bari permanently disabled.

Oakland police arrested the two within hours of the blast, claiming that they were knowingly transporting the bomb, but the case unraveled and the Alameda County district attorney's office did not press charges. A letter signed "The Lord's Avenger" claimed Bari was targeted for her pro-choice stand on abortion, but its author remains a mystery.

A year later, Bari, Cherney and others under the banner Ecotopia Earth First are preparing for another round of protests, billed as Redwood Summer II.

The bombing case has produced lots of suspicions and theories but little in the way of solid leads.

Bari, Cherney and their allies, who were quick to accuse the timber industry and law enforcement officials of encouraging the bomb attack, if not actually carrying it out, now say the evidence unearthed so far leads them nowhere. They blame authorities for letting the trail go cold.

Assailant Still at Large

"I think there's a vicious potential killer out there that they've not found or looked for," said Susan Jordan, one of Bari's attorneys. "We don't feel the FBI or any other law enforcement agency is conducting any investigation. Nor do we feel they ever have."

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Authorities insist that they have followed all leads, and although they refuse to say whether

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they turned up new suspects, they are not ready to cross Bari and Cherney off the list.

"They're still included as suspects or among the people we might consider suspects," said Oakland Police Lieutenant Mike Sims.

In defending his department's investigation, Sims said: "We have researched every lead from every angle that we've been provided. We're reviewing the case currently just to see if there's any other angle we want to take."

George Clow, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's San Francisco field office, also denied any attempt to pin the crime unfairly on Earth First.

"There's nobody in the FBI who's got a closed mind on where the solution to this case is going to rest," said Clow. "We will go where the evidence takes us. We're governed strictly by what the facts are."

Representative Don Edwards, D-San Jose, chairman of the House subcommittee on civil and constitutional rights and a frequent critic of the FBI, said that after looking into the case, he is not "entirely satisfied by the FBI's actions."

But, Edwards added, "It appears the FBI did actively investigate it. . . . We are not pursuing the matter further at this point."

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Earth First pair file suit against Oakland cops, FBI

By Michael Collier
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SAN FRANCISCO — Earth First activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, claiming they were wrongly suspected of a still-unsolved car bombing in Oakland a year ago, yesterday filed a multimillion-dollar lawsuit against federal agents and police.

The lawsuit in U.S. District Court asks for \$3.75 million in damages from FBI agents, Oakland police officers and other investigators who conducted an allegedly "cursory investigation" of the May 24, 1990 incident.

Bari, 41, who lives in Mendocino County and had her pelvis shattered in the bombing, also asks for \$10 million in damages from the unknown car bomber, named in the suit as a "Doe."

Cherney, 34, a folk singer, seeks \$4 million from the bomber.

The Earth First activists have steadfastly maintained they were targets of the bombing because of their sometimes unpopular tactics to help preserve old-growth redwood forests in Northern California.

But the 74-page lawsuit sheds no new light on the puzzling and politically charged case.

Bill Simpich, an Oakland attorney representing the pair, said the legal action also is intended to force investigators "to find the bomber."

"We think (the case) will be solved," he said. "We think more evidence will be unearthed in the next few days."

He declined to elaborate on the evidence. However, Simpich mentioned that a television documentary on the case will be aired Friday night.

Oakland police Capt. Jim Hahn, one of five Oakland officers named in the lawsuit, said he stands behind his department's probe of the matter.

"Any statements questioning its thoroughness are speculative,"

at best," Hahn said.

FBI spokeswoman Barbara Madden said her agency would "respond in court" to allegations involving the FBI.

The lawsuit restates many of the activists' longstanding complaints that law enforcement officials "intentionally or recklessly" steered the investigation toward the activists.

Bari and Cherney were arrested in connection with the bombing, which occurred on Park Boulevard near Oakland High School, but they were not charged with the crime after an Alameda County prosecutor cited a lack of evidence.

The bomb probe was conducted by FBI and Oakland investigators who showed "reckless disregard for the truth" and "deliberate indifference toward the rights" of Bari and Cherney, the suit alleges.

The suit also accuses investigators of:

- Misstating the location of the bomb by claiming it was placed on the floorboard behind Bari's driver's seat rather than directly under her seat.

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■ Alleging that nails in the pipe bomb and nails found at Bari's home could be traced to a batch of 200 to 1,000 nails. Investigators later said the nails could not be linked conclusively.

■ Furnishing to news reporters a photograph of Bari posing with an Uzi submachine gun "to create deceptive publicity of Bari as a violent person."

■ Failing to divulge to Bari and Cherney evidence that the activists and their own private investigators could use to help solve the crime.

■ Disassembling Bari's bombed Subaru in a manner that destroyed "evidence," and failing to return Bari's property in the car, including a violin and her children's birth certificates and immunization records.

Simpich said the Earth First

activists also would "like an apology" from investigators who considered them suspects in the bombing.

Earth First followers and members of other environmental groups intend to hold a rally Friday, the anniversary of the bombing, outside the San Francisco offices of the FBI.

A Ukiah environmental group, the Mendocino Environmental Center, and two of its members, Betty and Gary Ball, also were named in the lawsuit as plaintiffs along with Bari and Cherney.

The Balls allege that sheriff's deputies from Mendocino and Humboldt counties failed to investigate death threats against them in the months before the bombing.

Earth First organizer Karen Pickett of Berkeley told reporters at a press conference that death threats made toward Bari and Cherney "point to the timber industry" as the source of the crime.

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**FBI Won't Probe
Earth First Case**

Santa Rosa — The FBI is not investigating Northern California environmental groups in connection

with the 1990 car bombing of two Earth First members in Oakland, according to an FBI letter to Representative Frank Riggs, Riggs said yesterday.

Riggs, R-Windsor, said he is still trying to determine whether the FBI and law enforcement authorities in Alameda and Mendocino counties — where the environmental group operates — conducted a thorough and unbiased investigation into the May 1990 bombing. Earth First organizers Judy Bari and Darryl Cherney were injured in the blast.

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